

Gov't \$\$\$ Aid Dock Strikebreakers

By ART SHIELDS

Shipping firms which control the stevedore business in New York are collecting \$80,000,000 a year from the Federal government in subsidies but refuse to grant New York striking dockers a decent settlement of their demands.

This is outrageous. The Truman administration could quickly compel these greedy shipping companies to meet the men's just demands by cutting off these fat subsidies until the shipowners settle the strike.

These maritime profiteers, whom the Government is fattening, include the Morgan and Rockefeller families. These are the men whom "King" Joe Ryan's muscle men like Anastasia, are helping by their strikebreaking. The subsidies that fatten these magnates come from American taxpayers. Much of the money is picked out of the pockets of the longshoremen themselves and the seamen and other workers by the withholding tax system.

This maritime subsidy has been well described as "Operation Plunder." The 80 million dollars is not intended to meet operating deficits. There are no deficits in this fantastically profitable industry. The money is used to guarantee minimum profits of 10 percent. The subsidy agreement provides that none of the gravy has to be refunded to the government until profits pass 10 percent.

The United States lines, a J. P. Morgan bank company, is the biggest feeder at the subsidy trough. It collected a total of \$7,331,828 in government subsidies last year.

The U. S. Lines also has the closest connections with "King" Joe Ryan, who is trying to break the strike of hundreds of his men on the company's docks on Piers 46, 59, 60, 61, 62, 73, 74 and 86 on the Hudson River and on Pier 17 in Staten Island.

Vincent Astor, the multimillionaire landlord, who rackrents New York tenement dwellers, is one of the biggest directors on this strike-breaking company.

Another one of the subsidy profiteers is John W. Hanes, who works for both Morgan and Hearst. He doubles as chairman of the U. S. Lines executive committee and as chairman of the Hearst Corp.'s finance committee.

The official \$7,331,828 subsidy is only a starter. The government has also promised U. S. lines a special \$44,000,000 subsidy next year when it turns over the brand new 980-foot super liner, the SS United States to the Morgan company. The SS United States is costing the government \$70,000,000. It is letting the shipping company have it for \$26,000,000. The

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Gov't Anti-Peace Policy Sends Cost of Living to Record High

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—The Truman Administration's armaments, no - negotiation program pushed the cost-of-living for the American people to a new all-time high today. According to the government's own Bureau of Labor Statistics (widely accused of rigging figures to play down

the real climb in living costs), the price index on consumer items rose six-tenths of one percent from Aug. 15 to Sept. 15, reaching 186.6 percent of the 1935-39 price level.

The Truman government admission of new record-breaking price boosts came on the heels of the new tax swindle law. This law, hastily signed by Truman, slaps an average 11 1/4 percent tax increase on workingclass families and other low wage earners while permitting Big Business to get away with its war profiteering.

New cost-of-living increases are to come soon, with "Price Stabilization" officials announcing yesterday that the price of beef will once again rise, this time by at least five percent, and before Christmas. The OPS is readying a new beef ceiling regulation

which will permit beef producers to apply for ceiling increases based on all cost increases, including their advertising costs, between the start of the Korean War and July 26, 1951.

The BLS announcement came as many of the major unions in the country, including the United Electrical Workers, CIO Steelworkers and the Miners were preparing to square off for new contract talks on wages and other issues.

According to the government index, the price spiral that began in February, 1950, and continued every month until August, has now resumed.

Clothing prices took the biggest jump during the Aug. 15-Sept. 15 period. Food increased to 11.9 percent above the pre-Korea level.

There was a six percent rise in egg prices.

Residential rents jumped an average one half of one percent, reflecting increases under the new federal law permitting a 20 percent rise over January, 1947, levels.

Prices of miscellaneous goods and services increased four-tenths of one percent. These included auto and beer prices, transit fares and doctor and dentise fees. House furnishings and fuel and refrigeration each rose one-tenth of one percent.

Dr. Fairchild Asks Truman Cut Bail For California 15

Dr. Henry Pratt Fairchild, secretary of the National Council, Arts, Sciences and Professions, urged in a telegram to President Truman yesterday that he instruct the Justice Department to accede to the reduction of excessive bail in the case of 15 California defendants under the Smith Act.

CAP YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS WITH \$5 FOR YOUR PAPER

Among the answers we received yesterday to our plea for \$5 from 5,000 readers was one from a Communist Party member, who wrote:

"In response to your plea for funds, I am sending you \$5—all I can manage at this time since I

recently contributed to a fund drive."

No need to apologize.

All of us are called upon to contribute heavily in the fight for peace, for democratic rights, for progress.

But just because we are devoted to this fight, we all know the Daily Worker and Worker must continue to publish. This is why we ask every reader, including those who have already contributed to the drive or to any other worthy cause, to pinch himself or herself a bit more and send us the fiver to keep the paper going.

Another reader, signing himself J. R. C., Brooklyn, asks that we acknowledge in the paper receipt of \$10 from him. We are glad to make this acknowledgement. The request for it, though, tells us what we have discovered also from other sources. Some of our readers don't like to put cash in envelopes, and hesitate, because of the atmosphere of hysteria, to use any other way of sending money.

We suggest you overcome your hesitation. Either put the dough in the envelope, or send us money

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2,000 AT MEXICO CITY RALLY FLAY SEIZURE OF GUS HALL

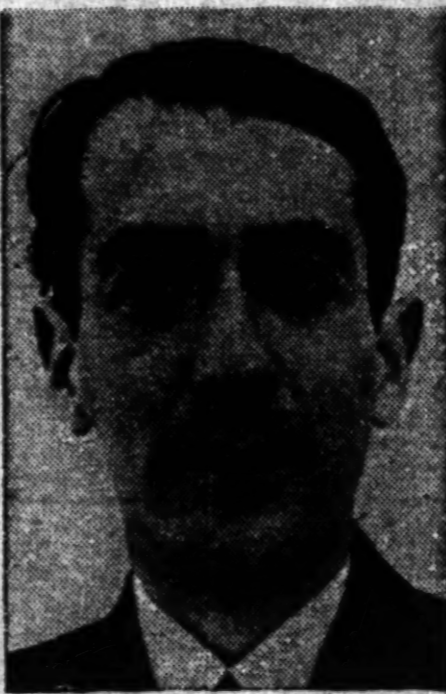
By A. B. MAGIL

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 25.—The indignation of the Mexican people at the seizure and delivery to the FBI of Gus Hall, national secretary of the Communist Party of the U.S.A., found expression in the

protest of 2,000 workers and intellectuals who filled to overflowing the Arben Theatre here. The meeting voted to organize a committee for the defense of the rights of man to protect both Mexicans



BLAS ROCA



LOMBARDO TOLEDANO

and persecuted foreigners.

Among the speakers were leaders of four political parties: the Federation of People's Parties, the country's largest opposition party; the Constitutionalist Party, formed chiefly by surviving deputies to the 1917 convention that wrote the Mexican Constitution; the Communist Party, and the Popular Party.

On the backdrop of the stage was painted a vivid cartoon entitled: "Throw the Yankee Police Out of Mexico!" It showed Hall being dragged away by a Mexican policeman and a masked FBI

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McAvoy Slams School Board For War 'Dog-Tags' on Children

The Board of Education's "private" war games in the city schools, gruesomely highlighted by distribution of dog-tags to every child, was strongly protested by Clifford T. McAvoy, American Labor Party candidate for City Council President, in a broadcast over WNEW last night. McAvoy charged the dog-tag was hysteria was a deliberate propaganda barrage to "hound and

frighten children with the false idea that war is inevitable."

The ALP candidate cited competent medical opinion to prove his accusation that the scheme would seriously injure the welfare of the students and create strains and tensions undermining their health.

"Instead of learning brotherhood and peace," he said, "they

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Back-to-Work Ruse Spurned by Dockers

By George Morris

Instructing their leaders not to fall for any back-to-work schemes, striking longshoremen holding lines solid along all waterfronts in New York harbor, dispatched flying squadrons to Philadelphia, Chester, Baltimore and Norfolk to spread the walkout. The number

of ships tied up grew to 144. Only at the Stapleton, S. I., Army base was there some scab work, and in Brooklyn's Army Base a handful given civil service status, was scabbing.

The temper of the strikers was made crystal clear Wednesday night in Brooklyn and Manhattan meetings, when Gene Sampson's

proposal was rejected for return to work on a promise of a ballot supervised by an outside agency on whether the workers accept the pact negotiated by "King" Joe Ryan.

Sampson, who is chief spokesman of the strikers revealed the decision of a strike mass meeting, representative of all participating locals, that met in the hall of Local 791, of which he is business agent. Sampson, predicting the workers were ready to stay out

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- Here is what the longshore strikers want:
- A raise of 25 cents an hour (Ryan got 10 cents)
 - A full day's wage guarantee if called to work.
 - Ten cents an hour more into the welfare fund and a better than pin money pensions, now \$35. (Ryan got only 1 1/4 cents).
 - Reduction of the required number of hours work a year to qualify for vacations and pensions to 500 hours. (It is 800 now).
 - No splitting of work gangs.

200 Chi. Delegates Set For Negro Labor Meet

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—Some 200 delegates are expected to be in Cincinnati this weekend to take part in the founding convention of the National Negro Labor Council. Reports from Sam Parks, delegation leader, showed that the group from this area will include many rank-and-file delegates chosen by their local unions.

The Chicago delegation was slated to form a banner-bedecked car and bus caravan after work on Friday and proceed to Cincinnati.

Parks declared that a number of steel and railroad workers will be in Chicago group. The largest delegation of approximately 55 will go from electrical and farm equip-



SAM PARKS

ment shops which are under the leadership of the United Electrical Workers.

The packing locals here elected 36 delegates. An additional 32 were chosen from auto shops.

The Fur, Leather & Luggage Workers announced that it was sending 30 delegates. Ten were being sent by the International Longshoremen and Warehousemen, and five by the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers.

In addition, there were also delegates representing organizations such as the Chicago Tenants Action Council, which sent four delegates.

"We've been pleased by the response," Parks declared, "which comes in the face of the frantic efforts made by the Murrys and Reuthers to destroy the National Negro Labor Council before it gets on its feet."

"However, we are assured now that there will be a fighting new organization of workers in this country battling for Negro rights and for the unity of Negro and white."

B'klyn Rally to Hit Indictment of Wm. Patterson

Candidates of all political parties for the post of President of City Council will be given an opportunity to take a stand on the indictment for "contempt" of William L. Patterson, national secretary of the Civil Rights Congress, it was announced by the Bedford-Stuyvesant Chapter.

The chapter, which is sponsoring a protest meeting to demand the quashing of the indictment and action instead against Rep. Lanham of Georgia, is requesting all four candidates to present statements on the case and the issues involved which may be read at the meeting on Monday, Oct. 29 at 8 p. m., at Paragon Hall, 4 Brooklyn Ave., Brooklyn.

Mrs. Bessie Mitchell, sister of Collis English, one of the Trenton Six, and Mrs. Frances Grayson, widow of one of the Martinsville Seven, will speak at the meeting.

With them on the program will be Mr. Patterson, Mrs. Hattie Brisbane, well-known Bedford-Stuyvesant leader in tenant and consumer activities, and Mrs. Mabel Thompson, chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Chapter of CRC.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN NEW ENGLAND BLAMED ON WAR ECONOMY BY PROGRESSIVE PARLEY

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—Growing unemployment in New England was blamed on the huge arms expenditure and the war economy program of the just adjourned Congress by the New England Conference of the Progressive Party in a two-day session at the Hotel Lenox here.

The conference, which adjourned Sunday afternoon, pledged that a presidential peace candidate would be on the ballot of all New England states in the 1952 elections. Delegates also resolved to support independent peace candidates in other races and pledged to build an organization that would give effective support to the candidates.

Key speakers included Miss Florence Luscomb, Cambridge, Mass., state chairman; C. B. Baldwin, former Farm Security Administrator, now national secretary of

the Progressive Party; Mrs. Eslande Robeson, Enfield, Conn., chairman of that state's Peoples Party; Dr. Willard Uphaus, New Haven, Conn., American Peace Crusade executive; Mrs. Elizabeth Moos, Croton, N. Y., Peace Information Center official; and John T. McManus, New York City, managing editor of the National Guardian.

About 200 delegates from all six New England states attended the sessions which included panel meetings and an evening of entertainment, the latter sponsored by the Progressive Party Ward Clubs of Boston, Saturday; and a general session Sunday afternoon.

Panel leaders included Mrs. Laura M. O'Brien, recent Boston councilmanic candidate; Mrs. Robeson; Roy Atus, Roxbury; George F. Markham, Cambridge, New England educational director of the Fur and Leather Workers

Union; and Dr. H. Wyne Daggett, Durham, N. H.

The conference reviewed the work of the 82nd Congress and termed it "worse than the do-nothing 80th Congress." Delegates pledged to back only those candidates who would work for an end to the armaments program which, they declared, is "depressing the whole New England area."

In other resolutions, it pledged an "unqualified fight for full rights for the Negro people; agreed to work for an end to the wage freeze and a repeal of the Taft-Hartley law." They attacked "the existing thought control tactics of those who seek to perpetuate the war hysteria" and pledged "a fight for repeal of the Smith Act, the McCarran Act and the 32-year old anti-anarchy act whose first victims were Prof. Dirk Struik of MIT and Harry Winner, Malden businessman and civic leader."

RETAIL PRICES JUMP AGAIN ON FOOD, CLOTHING IN N.Y.

Retail prices paid by consumers in New York City for cost-of-living items rose 0.9 percent from mid-August to mid-September, according to a report issued today by Robert R. Behlow, Regional Director of the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics. Retail prices are now 6.3 percent above a year ago and 9.3 percent above the pre-Korean levels. The Con-

sumers Price Index for New York City stands at 182.5 percent of the 1935-1939 average of prices. The increase during the month was attributed primarily to the rise of 5.4 percent in retail apparel prices. Retail food prices rose 0.3 percent during the month, bringing them 11.0 percent higher than in June 1950, just prior to the hostilities in Korea.

Syracusan Asks Truman Act for Talks with USSR

SYRACUSE, Oct. 25.—The following letter appeared in the Syracuse Herald-Journal:

"It is comforting to hear the renewed suggestion (just now made by Winston Churchill) that a friendly talk on a real level between the heads of the leading governments—Russia, Britain and the United States—could not do any harm and might do much good. Churchill seems to think a conference, if held a year ago, might have prevented the Korean war."

"This sort of talk sounds very good after recent news items about our 'fantastic weapons' and Russia's new atomic bomb. Let's talk more about possibilities and plans for peace. Keep up our plans for defense, of course, but let us be ever on the watch for opportunities for continued peace."

"Russia has been trying to put itself in the limelight in 'peace'

propaganda and doubtless has caught the attention of the great masses of people, nine-tenths of whom dread the prospect of war of world-devastating proportions. Let our President forthwith take the lead in a move for another conference."

"ROSCOE NUNN."

Dr. Uphaus to Talk in Detroit

DETROIT, Oct. 25.—Dr. Willard Uphaus, co-director of the American Peace Crusade, will speak on the Road to Peace at a mass meeting sponsored by the Michigan Peace Council on Thursday, Nov. 8 at 8 p. m. at the Detroit Federation of Women's Clubs, 4811 2nd at Hancock.

Dr. Uphaus formerly was executive secretary of the National Religion and Labor Foundation and is a member of the administrative committee of the Methodist Federation for Social Action.

Progressives Map 6-State Philly Parley

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25.—Progressive Party leadership from five states in the Middle Atlantic Region will meet here in two-day conference Nov. 17 and 18, presidential election campaign in 1952, Zalmon H. Garfield, state director, announced today.

The five states involved are New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania. Washington, D. C., will also participate.

The conference will tackle three main problems in panel sessions:

- Strengthening the Progressive Party organization in metropolitan areas, small towns and rural areas.
- Organizing the Progressive Party in the Negro community.
- Organizing the Progressive Party in communities of workers.

There will be two plenary sessions. The sessions on the roof-garden of the Adelphia Hotel, will be attended by 250 to 300 leaders from the five states.

Schappes to Talk At ALP Forum

Morris Schappes will lead a discussion on "The Danger of Anti-Semitism to Our Community" at Room 201, 3410 Broadway, Sunday at 7:30 p. m. The discussion will be followed by free refreshments and dancing. This is the first of a series of lectures and movies sponsored by the 13th A. D. American Labor Party

PEKING PAPER RIPS SEIZURE OF GUS HALL

Denounces Denial by Mexican Gov't of Political Asylum

PEKING, Oct. 25 (Telepress).—The illegal arrest of Gus Hall, Communist leader by the reactionary government of Mexico, is denounced in the Oct. 16 Peking People's Daily. The full text of the comment follows:

"Early in the morning of Oct. 9, police authorities of the reactionary government of Mexico illegally arrested Gus Hall, national secretary of the Communist Party of the United States, in the capital of

Mexico and immediately extradited him to the U. S. police authorities who then imprisoned him in the U. S. federal penitentiary at Tezarkana, Ark.

"Gus Hall went to Mexico seeking political asylum because of fascist persecution he had suffered at the hands of the American government. However, the U. S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, a Gestapo organ, had him arrested through Mexican police authorities. This demonstrates clearly, the re-

actionary government of Mexico has become so degraded and shameless that it has turned itself completely into an American imperialist lackey and an agency of the American Gestapo."

"This contemptible action by the Mexican government is a shameful betrayal of its national sovereignty and independence, which is arousing deep indignation among the Mexican people and the bitter condemnation of honest people throughout the world."

Korea GI, in Letter to Paper in Buffalo, Urges Fight for Peace

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 25.—"I hope you are fighting for peace over there," a letter from 20-year-old Pfc. Placido M. Fiore, a prisoner of war in Korea, told his parents here. The young GI had been

reported missing in action last February.

Writing from a POW camp of the Chinese volunteer forces, Pfc. Fiore praised the treatment he and his buddies received.

The Buffalo Evening News, which featured the story, captioned his picture, "Letter Says Chinese Treat Him Well."

The letter said, in part: "I hope you are fighting for peace over there and getting all our aunts and uncles and friends to fight for world peace. The Chinese people do not want war. They have proven that many times."

"They have given us good food, such as potatoes, eggs, chicken, pork, fish, flour, beans and greens. We have a blanket for every man, a place to sleep and toothbrush, toothpaste, soap and towel. We have a river where we go swimming and wash up every morning."

"We play basketball and put on our own shows. We have a band, singers and dancers and they win prizes that the Chinese give us, such as packs of cigarettes, notebooks and toothpaste."

NLRB Spurns New Law to Hit 62 Workers

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (FP).—Although Congress recently eliminated the need for union shop elections under the Taft-Hartley law, the NLRB has refused to reinstate 62 workers because they had engaged in an "illegal" strike to force adoption of a union shop.

The decision involved the American Communications Association and the Mackay Radio & Telegraph Co. and Commercial Cable Co., both of New York. The companies had refused to reinstate 62 of the 2,000 employees who struck in 1948 for demands which included the union shop.

The board held the union had not at the same time complied with the non-Communist affidavit provision of the Taft-Hartley Act and therefore was not entitled to qualify for a union shop election. It therefore ruled the strike illegal.

Earlier in the week Congress completed action on an amendment to the T-H law eliminating necessity for union shop elections and validating 4,600 CIO union shop contracts which had been negotiated before CIO had signed the non-Communist affidavits.

Chairman Paul M. Herzog, James J. Reynolds, Jr., and Abe Murdock comprised the NLRB majority. John M. Houston dissented and Paul L. Styles did not participate.

Houston argued the strike was primarily for economic benefits and therefore legal.

"The result reached by the majority on this question," he said, "is without precedent. Heretofore when the board has found that condonation (of the union shop by the employer) in fact existed, it has consistently held that the strikers were entitled to protection of the act, irrespective of the nature of their allegedly unprotected activity."

Danish Widows Hit War Moves

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 25 (Telepress).—Thirty-two Danish women of the city of Aarhus, all widows of victims of Nazi terror during the last war, have appealed to the Danish government not to permit Danish youth to participate in wars on foreign soil. "We, who lost our nearest relatives as a result of the last war, feel that we have a special right to protest against the sending of young Danes to support the forces of war in Korea," their appeal states.

'UTTERLY FOOLISH,' IS IT?

An Editorial

PRESIDENT TRUMAN said two days ago that another war would practically "end civilization."

Another war would sure be a disaster for our country and for all human beings everywhere. But we think that humanity will rescue civilization from the mak-

ers of war rather than let the makers of war destroy humanity.

According to President Truman, we face this awful risk of seeing civilization wiped out because the ideas of the Soviet government are "utterly foolish."

If President Truman wants to avoid the catastrophe he warns against, why doesn't he do some-

thing about it besides piling up guns and A-bombs which by his own admission can do nothing but destroy civilization?

Yesterday, the Soviet press again listed the "utterly foolish" ideas which it wants to discuss with us around the table in the coming UN session at Paris—or any place else:

"Creation of a united, peaceful, democratic, independent Germany; peace treaty with Germany; peace settlement with Japan; unconditional prohibition of atomic weapons and the establishment of strict international control; cessation of the armistice race and reduction of armed forces; prohibition of war

propaganda, and conclusion of a pact of peace." (New York Herald Tribune, Oct. 25.)

It seems to us that Truman's idea in refusing to negotiate and in risking a war that will "end civilization" is far more "utterly foolish" than the idea of sitting down at the table with the Russians to work out an agreement on the above-listed points.

FORCE DELAY IN PLAN TO EVICT 1,584 FAMILIES

By MICHAEL SINGER

Negro, Puerto Rican, Irish and Jewish tenants stormed the Board of Estimate yesterday and turned back a proposed "cooperative" luxury housing project in their area which would have forced evictions of 1,584 families. The united demonstration of Negro and white tenants, and various community, civic and tenant organizations, forced the Board to delay a vote on the Manhattanville "cooperative" until Nov. 15.

At the suggestion of Borough President Robert F. Wagner, Jr., who showed reluctance to accept the "relocation" promises of Philip Cruise, City Housing Authority chairman and advocate of the luxury development, tenants will confer with him and CHA officials before Nov. 15.

The Manhattanville project has been suggested on a 10-acre site bounded by Broadway, LaSalle St., Amsterdam Ave. and W. 123 St., and including a block on W. 124 St.

Applicants for this "cooperative" would pay \$1,000 a room as down payment, and then a monthly average of \$30 a room as rent. There are 981 contemplated units in the project.

Henry H. Abrams, ALP leader

in the Morningside-Manhattanville area, charged the Board's approval would be tantamount to "building a wall of snobbery and prejudice."

Abrams demanded the Board use "city's money which belongs to all the people for the benefit of real, low-cost projects, not for land speculators." He quoted

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JUSTICE DELANEY BACKS TEACHERS IN FIELDS CASE

The threatened dismissal of two city school teachers by the Board of Education for their part in protesting the police killing of Henry Fields, Negro father of four, would be a "victory for McCarthyism," Hubert J. Delaney, Justice of the Domestic Relations Court, charged yesterday.

In a statement made public by the Teachers Union, Judge Delaney declared of the board's attack on teachers Terry Rosenbaum and Max Gilgoff:

"It appears to be subversive these days to fight in behalf of civil rights and equality before the law for Negroes."

Fields was shot and killed by a

Brooklyn policeman without warning or reason on May 26, 1951. Both teachers took part in the Brownsville Citizens Committee for Justice in the Case of Henry Fields, which sought aid for the bereaved family and prosecution of the policeman.

Judge Delaney yesterday contrasted the whitewash of the killing with the reprisals now under way against the two teachers.

"I am informed," he said, "that

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strip mill based on previous average earnings. The strike was called when the company put an incentive bonus system into effect which cut wages by \$20 to \$35 per week.

The workers were jubilant over the victory. However, one-jarring note on which many commented

Barbers Add More Pickets

The strike of 700 barber shops was strengthened with new pickets yesterday.

Settlement, according to Rosario Rotolo, secretary treasurer of CIO Barbers Union, strike chairman, will be up to the Master Barbers.

A meeting with the Master Barbers was scheduled for last night. The barbers are asking a \$60

was a statement made by United Steelworkers District Director Joseph Germano.

Germano declared that international officers of the union had assured the Inland Steel company that "they will make every effort to increase the rate of production on the pickling line."

The workers pointed out that the comparatively low rate of production on the pickling line was due to the fact that it had recently been put into operation and that there were still too many "bugs" in the line to produce efficiently.

They said they would continue to demand an average rate of pay until they could make at least that amount under a tonnage bonus plan.

The rate based on previous average earnings will remain in effect pending the results of an arbitration case. The company also agreed to back pay for the period in which the workers lost money on the incentive bonus rate.

The wage cut which led to the strike directly effected only 21 men on a new picket line. However, the entire working force of 18,000 workers came to their support in a strike which shut down production in the Grant mill completely.

McCarran Board Reserves Ruling On Whether It's Illegal Body

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—The McCarran Subversive Activities Control Board, reduced from five to three members and with only an "acting chairman," said today it

was reserving its decision on the Communist Party's motion that it recognize itself as illegally constituted.

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In Monday's Daily Worker Two 'Previews of History'—Collier's and the People's By ALAN MAX

30 MILLION BRITONS VOTE ON 1,376 CANDIDATES

LONDON, Oct. 25.—An estimated record of 30,000,000 Britons went to the polls on a crisp, clear Fall day in today's general election. The Attlee government, now lined up with the Wall Street war program, and Churchill's Tories vied each other in trying to cash in on the people's peace sentiments. Churchill, in fact, filed suit on polling day against the Daily Mirror, charging libel because the paper described him as a "war-monger."

At stake were 625 seats in a new House of Commons. The winning party needs an absolute majority of 313.

There were actually only 620 contests. Four Ulster unionists (Conservatives) from North Ireland already have been returned without opposition until next month.

There are 1,376 candidates in this election, compared with 1,868 in 1950. The Communists put up 10 candidates in contrast to 100 in 1950. In other constituencies, the Communists urged their followers to vote against the Tories.

The official Labor Party tabloid,

Daily Mirror, devoted its entire front page to a pro-war drawing of a pistol with a finger on the trigger, asking: "Whose finger do you want on the trigger?" Below were pictures of Attlee and Churchill.

THEY TALKED ABOUT 'RIGHT TO DISSENT' BUT THEY SILENCED ALL THE DISSENTERS

They sat on the platform and in the audience at the Herald Tribune Forum and unctuously agreed that "the right of dissent in a democracy must be safeguarded. . . ." And if they smirked as they said it, who could blame them? For they knew as they spoke or applauded that they meant dissent—except for the dissenters.

They ran a panel at the annual Herald Tribune shindig put on at the Waldorf-Astoria all this week. They called it "Why Do Americans Join the Communist Party?"

Speaking as experts on the question were Morris Ernst, anti-Communist careerist; Joseph Curran, of the CIO seamen's union, whose most recent distinction was to renege on a pledge to back the striking longshoremen; Herbert Philbrick, FBI under-cover spy and government "witness"; Dore Schary, movie magnate, and Robert A. Vogeler, telephone trust executive and self-confessed spy.

Five anti-Communists, but no Communists—in a forum dedicated to the "right of dissent."

The plush, select audience applauded Tuesday a Sen. James H. Duff (R-Pa.) condemned "means"

and asserted that "Freedom in America and in the world demands that there should always be the right to dissent."

But neither the forum officials nor the Herald Tribune itself either acted favorably upon or even took public note of the written request by Communist Party national committeewoman Elizabeth Gurley Flynn for a Communist participant in the panel.

In fact, when a party representative called Forum officials suggesting that Simon W. Gerson, Communist leader who obtained 150,000 votes in his Brooklyn Councilmanic race of 1949, be invited to speak, the answer was that the panel had been "deliberately planned" to exclude Communists.

Miss Flynn called this a "travesty on free speech." "To discuss why Americans become Communists and refuse to hear Americans who have become Communists," she pointed out, "is profoundly immoral."

But Communists were not the only dissenters to the present economic system or to the present war program who were barred from a forum waving the banner of

the "right to dissent."

From Monday through Wednesday, the Forum aired the views of many people, from Paul G. Hoffman, former Marshall Plan boss to James E. Webb, Under-Secretary of State; from Republican Senator Duff to Democratic political figure and Price Stabilization Director, Michael V. DiSalle. But there were no dissenters from the bi-partisan, Wall Street war program allowed. If you're for peace, Stay Out! this open forum said, no matter how many millions there are of you.

The only kind of "dissent" permitted here was a polite doubt as to whether McCarthyism was the smartest way to cut the heart out of civil liberties; and whether the methods of the war policy are the most effective. No right to question the war program, itself, of course.

The American people, by their protests against the witch-hunt, have forced the Trumans and the Duffs to talk against McCarthyism.

The Herald Tribune Forum demonstrated that the majority who believe in civil liberties and democracy will have to make those who talk, also act.

Coast Dockers Warn Isthmian Against Scabs

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Longshoremen's Local 10 will call an immediate portwide stopwork meeting if the Isthmian Steamship Co. attempts to unload its strike-bound ships here with scab labor.

That ultimatum was served after Local 10 members unanimously roared approval of it at the union's regular meeting this week.

That company, meanwhile, had made no move to go through with its earlier threat to import strike-breakers to unload two ships tied up at Pier 48A by the strike of CIO Marine Engineers Beneficial Association.

In addition, Isthmian came up against another aspect of maritime union solidarity when it was refused pier space for its freighter, Steel Traveler.

POINT OF ORDER

Wrong Name

By ALAN MAX

Widdya mean, STORK Club? Culture!

Detroiters Urge Korea Peace

By WILLIAM ALLEN

DETROIT, Oct. 25.—As the press and radio announced resumption of peace talks in Korea, Detroiters interviewed by a inquiring reporter of the community newspaper the "Northwest Record" all expressed heartfelt desires for peace. Here are excerpts of what they said:

FRANK ANGEL, "I think we can have peace in Korea if he demands of the people for agreement at the 38th parallel and withdrawal of foreign troops are recognized. Issues such as where the negotiations are going to be held do not prevent soldiers from dying."

"The bulk of the American people have no taste for war. It takes lives, creates high prices, high taxation and limitation of rights. This is not American democracy. Peace in Korea is a must. If it fails, we face atomic destruction—no matter where we live in the world."

Mrs. RUTH ANN KNYSZ, "We can only pray that there will be peace in Korea"....

NORMAN JACOBS, "I have the same desires as anyone else in this country when it comes to peace or war. Truth of the matter is we must formulate a peace treaty in Korea."

"If not, this world will soon be in an awful mess. I would say that the future of the world is at stake."

Mrs. RALPH NELSON, "I think that this time they will really negotiate peace in Korea. At least I hope so. We can only hope that the negotiators will reach a satisfactory conclusion...."

The theme of peace was being taken up this week by many groups here. Prayers were being held in most churches for an end to all hostilities and for the return of brotherhood among men, so that differences could be settled through other means than atomic warfare.

A moment of silent prayer was held at noon today, United Nations Day, during which the Mayor and Common Council asked all Detroiters to pause for one moment and pray for peace.

Politicians Transformed Into Art Critics

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 25.—What appeared to be the hammer and sickle emblem of Soviet Russia on the sail of a ship in a painting at a City Art exhibit has plunged city councilmen into a heated controversy over modern art.

Council president Harold A. Henry took a look at the display and decided it showed "the infiltration of Communist art."

Municipal art department manager Kenneth Ross explained that what some onlookers believed to be the hammer and sickle in a prize-winning picture, "Sure of the Seas," actually was the letter "C" with an "I" through it, a designation carried on ships of the class depicted.



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Of Things to Come

by John Pittman

50th Anniversary of U.S. Hungarian Labor Press

SUNDAY, NOV. 4, the newspaper Magyar Jovo (Hungary's Future) will celebrate the 50th year of the Hungarian labor press in the United States.

It is a matter of record that the editors of this paper were arrested several times for opposing the imperialist blood-bath of 1914-1918. And in 1919 a gang of hoodlums incited by the Palmer raids invaded its offices and destroyed its presses.

Its editors were continuously harassed by the employers and their politicians. Louis Bebrics, who is now the Hungarian People's Republic's Minister of Transportation, was deported in 1932. Dr. John Gyetvai, who became New Hungary's Minister to Turkey, was forced to leave the country in 1947. John Santo, a labor leader here, was compelled to leave in 1949.

Notwithstanding these blows against it, the Hungarian labor press has endured and grown. Because its message of peace and the rights of working people was essential to its readers. And throughout its periods of repression and destitution, of which there were many, its readers stood fast and sustained it.

IT IS GOOD to know these things at a time such as this, when the very existence of the peace press and the genuine working class press is imperiled throughout all the lands of President Truman's so-called "free world"—our own included.

For very few of my newspaper

colleagues on the staffs of the big money press have indicated that they are even aware of this peril. Most of them have been preoccupied with indignation over the fate of an Oatis, who betrayed them along with the traditions of their profession by becoming a spy.

Indeed, so preoccupied are my colleagues with this phony "free press" Oatis issue, that they have remained indifferent to the genuine violations of freedom of the press beneath their own noses. I refer, of course, to their deep and profound silence concerning the imprisonment of John Gates, editor-in-chief of this paper.

And if they try to rationalize their silence in the case of Gates as an "exception," which it is not, how do they explain their silence regarding the DENIAL OF THE RIGHT OF BAIL to our Pittsburgh correspondent, James Dolsen, and to two of the ablest journalists in the country—Al Richmond and Philip Connelly of the West Coast Daily People's World?

It is no answer whatever to say that these people are being persecuted not as newspapermen, but as Communists, unless one is also prepared to go the whole distance and argue that Communists should be denied the right to bail and should be imprisoned, no matter what they say or do.

THE FALLACY of such a position is to be seen in what is

happening to the peace and working class press elsewhere in lands under the thumb of the Truman Administration.

In the Union of South Africa, we learn, the Malan regime is preparing to suppress The Guardian. Why? Because The Guardian allegedly expresses "Communist" views? Not at all. Malan intends to smash The Guardian because it is the most outspoken organ opposing the government policy of genocide against the African and colored peoples.

In Japan, the Yoshida regime has smashed more than ONE THOUSAND publications. Why? Because they were "Communist"? Not at all. They were suppressed because they opposed Yoshida's sell-out to Wall Street and his conspiring with Dulles for war in Asia.

In Cuba, hoodlums smashed the Communist paper "Hoy" and tried to murder the editor. Why? Just because they were "Communists"? On the contrary, because they called for a peace policy and fought the government's subservience to Wall Street.

In Canada, the government is moving to suppress The Tribune, while in Pakistan, the editor of the Pakistan Times, largest daily in the country, is on trial for his life.

This catalogue could be extended to the point of tedium. But these instances are sufficient to show that wherever the Truman Administration's influence reaches, a press which opposes the Truman policies risks its life.

sabotaged the council's drive to put the FEPC issue on the city ballot for enactment into law. In fact, despite Reuther's sabotage, the council collected more than enough signatures, so that even with the disqualification of many of the names by the city authorities, the Council was short only about 1,000 names. It is Reuther who has to explain, not the Detroit NLC.

As for Jim Carey, among the many jobs he holds is chairmanship of the CIO's anti-Discrimination Committee. We have still to learn of some real achievements by this committee aside from publishing some self-laudatory pamphlets. That committee's "educational" activities in the CIO was best reflected in the last CIO convention by the presence of only six Negroes as delegates.

It would seem that people like Jack Kroll, Walter Reuther and Jim Carey, who live in glass houses, would not throw bricks so readily.

Here is an effort for a long-needed movement to encourage more vigor and initiative from the ranks of Negro unionists in the struggle for Negro rights. The mere record of labor officials like the above three shows the need for a movement that could build a fire under them on these long neglected or soft-pedalled issues. That is exactly why they look with such disfavor upon the rise of the Negro Labor Council.

The reaction the NLC is getting from the assorted opponents should also indicate that its program is touching right at the sore point of these people—not "communism." An organization that intends to fight expects it, of course. I doubt whether a single one of the leaders of the NLC is surprised by the above-noted "greetings."

World of Labor

by George Morris

Why Reuther Raps the Negro Labor Council

THE LATEST ACTION in the CIO leadership's concerted drive against the convention of Negro Labor Council meeting in Cincinnati this weekend is that taken by the international executive board of the United Automobile Workers. The UAW's board calls the convention a "vehicle for Communist propaganda," and makes the fantastic charge that the Detroit Negro Labor Council "works against the best interests of the American people" and is increasing "inter-group tension."

The ostensible excuse for the statement is to eliminate in the public mind a possible connection between NLC and the UAW, because William Hood, secretary of Ford Local 800, the UAW's largest, is head of the Negro Labor Council. That, however, is only a lame excuse, because the UAW's statement was timed with the IUE-CIO's and Ohio CIO's statements, a few days before the convention, in an effort to knife it.

For more than two decades it was the AFL's officialdom that continually issued statements and circulars to its members to rebait every progressive movement that ever got under way including those favored by the CIO. Now, it seems, the main burden of this despicable function falls on the Reuthers, Careys and Jack Krolls.

In this particular case, the knifing job is of an especially low order, because it is aimed against the most oppressed sec-

tion of the people. The inevitable allies for such an attack are the race supremacists and Dixiecrats. Running true to the race-supremacist pattern, the IUE News, Jim Carey's paper, even resorts to the age-old tactic of pitting Negro against Negro. That paper quotes an editorial in the conservative Pittsburgh Courier against the Cincinnati convention to "justify" a condemnation of it.

The source of both those attacks is interesting. Reuther, as head of the UAW Fair Practices Department, has by-and-large managed to do a neat job of covering up a do-nothing policy. He might, on occasion, make a great deal of noise on a discrimination issue in bowling (which is important) but that apparently is more designed to draw attention away from neglect of the even more important struggle for job rights and full citizenship in the union, than eliminate an injustice. For 10 years now, Reuther and his group have fought tooth and nail against election of a Negro to the union's top leadership of four officers and 18 board members. That, they say demagogically, is "jimerow in reverse."

Instead of throwing mud at the Detroit NLC, Reuther should explain why his group

Press Roundup

THE HERALD TRIBUNE speeds up the man on the white horse. In the same kind of mystical, demagogue's language used in France to build up the fascist De Gaulle as the "Leader," the Trib comes out for Eisenhower for President. The General has "vision," says the Trib; he's above the political battles. The Trib "asks from him no word or promise." In other words, the "leader" is too great to be bothered with demands for commitments on where he stands. The Trib has "faith" in the "leader."

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL'S London correspondent quotes a dockworker there: "If Churchill gets in, he'll start taking liberties and there'll be strikes and chaos in every industry." And this saddens the Wall Street man, because look what will happen then to "Britain's \$13,000,000,000 three-year rearmament program...."

THE NEWS wants full legalization of gambling and a Churchill victory.

THE COMPASS' I. F. Stone warns that Hitler gambled and lost on an invasion of Russia. Yet now Collier's Magazine's version of World War III "would have us believe that this time a collapse (of the Soviet's) would occur without an invasion."

THE TIMES says the Army has "corroborated statements by (dock) strike leaders that there was no war material whatever in the port awaiting shipment overseas." Then where does that leave the newspapers which tried to break the strike by pretending it was all a "Communist plot" to block Korea-bound vessels?

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM headlines: "Price of Milk Peace: 23 Million—To Public." Then the Telly pretends sympathy for the "families with children, invalids and others who must have milk" and who will have to pay more for milk when the strike is over. Not a word, of course, why the Milk Trust shouldn't absorb any price hike instead of passing it on to the public.

THE POST'S Max Lerner quotes a letter from one Elsa Kruse, a deputy director for New York Civilian Defense. Angered at Lerner's criticism of the dog-tag program for school children, she peddles this bilge: "Kids are basically tough little characters. They love gore. They have no more than an objective interest in calamities that befall other people." Hitler said kids love gore, too, and his fascists "educated" Germany's children to go from torturing animals and reviling Jews to gassing millions and making lampshades from human skin. It that what Mrs. Kruse is after? Are she and her so-called "civil defense" pals eager to use dog-tags and drills as the beginning of American children's education in the "love of gore" and mass murder?—R.F.

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THE EDITORS.

FOR A NEGRO JUDGE

FOR MORE THAN 150 YEARS, the old parties have kept the state's highest court lily-white. Judges have been chosen—both by executive appointment and political nomination—on the basis of their fitness and willingness to serve the interests of the white moneyed classes.

The candidacy of Jacques Isler, the Negro attorney, for a State Supreme Court judgeship from the First Judicial District (Manhattan and the Bronx), offers the voters an opportunity to break this logjam against democratic justice.

The Negro people were quick to recognize the significance of Isler's candidacy, and united across all political lines to support Isler's candidacy on the American Labor Party line (Row "D"). There has not been the same alertness in the labor movement, whose need for a democratic judiciary is not one whit less than that of the Negro people. Isler on the Supreme Court would mean one judicial seat filled by a jurist whose opinions would not be strained through the class logic of the oppressors. And the very fact of Isler's election would serve notice on all the justices that the workers and the Negro people reject the old racist deal in the form of the court and the content of its decisions.

It is not too late for the workers in the shops and in their neighborhoods to organize independently to help elect the first Negro to the New York Supreme Court. Such action would be the highest expression of Negro-white unity and the urgent self-interest of labor.

TIME TO END THE KILLING

IT WAS ONE YEAR AGO, Oct. 25, 1950 that Chinese soldiers began to appear in Korea as MacArthur was pushing toward the Manchurian border. The Chinese people became alarmed at the swift approach to their most vital industrial center of a general who was boasting that he knew how to "handle the Oriental." Since then, there has been no shortage of demands in our country for the bombing of Chinese cities, the destruction of their industries, power plants, dams, etc. From the highest official circles there has come repeatedly the threat of hurling the A-bomb at the Chinese people. It got so bad that British prime minister Attlee had to rush over here to ask President Truman not to carry out his threat to drop atomic bombs in the Korean war. And today, one of the top government leaders, Gordon Dean of the atomic commission, again talks of throwing atom bombs in Korea, while the Administration with its eyes on the McCarthy mob, brags it will never give China back her stolen island of Formosa or let the 450,000,000 Chinese people be represented in the United Nations.

The Chinese people were not merely imagining the threat to their national security any more than we would be if a hostile army showed up in Mexico from 6,000 miles away and began rushing toward our borders. Today, the Chinese and Korean peoples are exerting every effort to end the ghastly killing in Korea. Every patriotic American ought to see to it that the Truman administration quit its stalling in Korea and write a cease-fire agreement, sit down with China to work out an Asian peace, and get all our war-sick boys out of other people's territory.

A Program to Defend America

- For a cease-fire in Korea. For a Big Five pact of peace.
- For a peace-time economy—with jobs protected by federal public works and a short work-week.
- For restoration of the Bill of Rights. An end to the political witchhunts and mass arrests which are destroying constitutional safeguards.
- End the discrimination and violence against the Negro people for full equality through enforcement of the Fourteenth Amendment and an FEPC.

DOLLAR DIPLOMACY



The Underworld and the Upperworld in Pennsylvania

By ART SHIELDS

The bankers of Southwestern Pennsylvania have strong money vaults. These vaults are supposed to be theft-proof. Nevertheless bank robberies have become epidemic in the steel, coal and aluminum towns of this area. Latest figures show that more than \$3,000,000 has been looted from local banks recently.

Two banks in the Mellon's aluminum town of New Kensington were cracked for more than \$800,000 each in August and September. More than \$1,300,000 were swiped from another bank in the coal mining town of Cecil near Pittsburgh. Hundreds of thousands of dollars were taken from six other banks.

No yegg "soup," however, was used to blast these heavy vaults. The job was done by bank presidents and other executives instead.

The robbers were all highly respectable people, who went to church on Sundays and denounced Communism.

The Federal prosecutor—U.S. Attorney Edward C. Boyle—has been promising indictments. But Boyle is very busy. He is giving most of his time to railroading six working-class leaders to prison under the fascist Smith Act. He lost no time getting indictments against these six brave men who dared to speak out for peace in Korea.

Our readers know a lot about these six brave men—Ben Carreathers, Pittsburgh workers' leader; Steve Nelson, Jim Dolsen, Daily Worker reporter; Andy Onda, Irving Weissman and William Albertson.

FIRST BIG CASE

The bank epidemic routine got routine attention at first. The papers and the FBI didn't get excited when John F. Wagner, cashier of the First National Bank at Cecil, a coal mining town near Pittsburgh, was found with a bullet in his head beside the looted bank vault. He had shot himself after stealing \$1,300,000 with the help of a dozen racketeers. He had paid out the money to the racketeers in bad checks after they "hounded" and threatened him, he said in a suicide note.

None of these racketeers has since been indicted. The racketeers have a lot to say about running Cecil and other towns in Southwestern Pennsylvania. And the FBI lets them alone while it concentrates in hunting Communists and other advocates of peace.

More bank lootings followed, but the stories were still treated in routine fashion until the big New Kensington robberies came to light.

Now New Kensington, like most towns has its underworld and upperworld. And both unite in governing the town. The underworld includes millionaire gamblers like Sam Mannerino, who is also a big shot politician. The upperworld—until recently—included president Ludwig R. Schlekot of the Parnassus National Bank.

CAPITALIST'S PROGRESS

Banker Schlekot was praised as a model husband and father and a godly Horatio Alger hero, who came up from bank furnace man to bank president. He had done this, however, by using other people's money in a new way. While assistant cashier he had taken \$300,000 of the bank's cash to buy majority control of the bank itself.

Schlekot bought the bank stock through dummies. By using the dummies' proxies he had himself elected president at a board meeting.

No director appears to have asked who the dummy proxies holders were. . . . Perhaps they thought they were some of the rich gamblers, whose funds are not subjected to inquiry by the authorities.

As president of the bank, Schlekot was able to steal another \$300,000 before Secretary of the Treasury Snyder's tardy bank examiners finally caught up with him last August after several years.

The epidemic next struck New Kensington's First National Bank. Bank examiners last September charged that \$620,000 had been stolen by assistant cashier Paul Smeltzer, a highly respectable father and churchman, who needed money for his stock market operations.

Only one New Kensington bank now remained untouched. That was the Mellon's National Bank and Trust Co. branch, which had the deposits of the aluminum trust behind it.

Feature stories in the press tell what nice fellows the bankers seem to be. And J. Edgar Hoover's FBI is running no propaganda against the thieving insiders, who infest the banks of this area—although another theft, totalling \$363,000, was discovered in a Parkersburg, W. Va., bank (the Wood County Bank). Dennis Layfield, a teller, who was speculating in oil wells, is blamed.

Banker Schlekot, confessed big-time thief, is now out on bail. But four New Kensington workers are in prison on one of the crudest frame-ups in many years.

These four framed workers don't belong to the underworld or the

upperworld. They were just useful citizens.

They were framed because they supported the drive of New York's Local 65 (Distributive Trades) to organize a non-union store that was an outlet for a scab warehouse in New York.

Now Lester Peay and John Allen, two Negro workers, are doing four years in the workhouse at Blawnox, Pa.

"Doc" Harry Truitt, a dental mechanic, arrested with them, is also doing four years. All were arrested in Truitt's home and framed on charges of "aggravated assault," although they committed no violence.

The fourth victim, Robert Smith, a white seaman, is serving a year and a half in another prison. He is charged with an "affray." All he did was to escape from thugs, who attacked the picket line, and find refuge in Truitt's home, where he was arrested.

All would be enjoying the fresh air if they had been big time thieves like Schlekot. Their hope depends on the fullest backing of organizer labor when their appeal comes before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Nov. 12.

Asks: Is Truce Being Delayed for Profits?

DETROIT, Oct. 25.—A letter appearing last Thursday in the Detroit Free Press asks whether the war is being prolonged for profit. Wrote M. G.:

There are numerous others, so-called "uninfluential" people, who heartily agree with you and your questioning of just what we are fighting for, pursuing and hoping to obtain in Korea.

These in political office now may bicker about a variety of incidental issues, while the major issues of importance to this nation, according to many mothers, fathers, wives and friends of boys in the armed services, is just what are we fighting for, when will this crisis end (if ever), how many boys' lives we intend to sacrifice without knowing why.

A common rumor is that big businessmen once again are using a crisis for profit and the Government is helping with contracts. Could it be that the Government has no wish to stop any fighting or reach any peace terms because it now has plunged headlong into money-making schemes—pursuing this line to the extent that it does not want to ask 'why' it is doing so?

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Among them was \$50 from Queens, the first funds to come in from that borough as far as we know. We also received our first fiver from Philadelphia. But where, oh where, are the readers from Cleveland, Detroit, New Jersey, Milwaukee, Buffalo, Connecticut, and other areas where we have lots of readers?

We note, too, that Chicagoans are resting on their laurels after two of them sent us a few bucks each in the initial stage of the appeal. Let's go, Chicago.

Gov't \$\$

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Three years ago the government gave U. S. Lines \$10,000,000 by letting it have the \$17,000,000 SS America for \$7,000,000.

The Lehman Bros. banking house is also reaping a rich subsidy harvest while its American Export Line Co. tries to break the longshore strike.

Company reports show that American Export Line collected subsidies of about \$12,500,000 in

Dog Tags

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are being taught hatred and preparations for war.

Earlier McAvoy received a warm ovation at a Coney Island parent-teachers meeting when he denounced the Board's action. Children are "being subjected to so-called air-raid drills," he asserted, "having their minds poisoned by images of death and atomic destruction and fear."

Deputy Mayor Charles Horowitz, who spoke in behalf of Tammany candidate Joseph T. Sharkey, was so unnerved by the meeting's response to McAvoy's attack that when his turn to speak came he railed for 15 minutes over the "boys in Korea," a desperate effort to make opposition to the dog-tags appear "unpatriotic." McAvoy, in his radio speech, answered that phony camouflage.

the last two years, while it reaped a rich harvest from its Mediterranean trade.

The Moore-McCorrack Lines, in which the Rockefellers are interested, collected more than \$14,000,000 in subsidies in the two years that have just passed.

Its traffic with the Scandinavian countries and South America has been very profitable, however.

The AGWI Lines and others also are getting their palms greased while they try to break the dock worker's just strike.

How long will President Truman be permitted to pose as a "friend of labor," while he finances the strikebreakers in the world's chief maritime center?

Mexico

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agent under a swastika sign. At the left was depicted the historic Monument to the Revolution, one of Mexico City's landmarks, surrounded by masked FBI agents wearing swastika armbands.

The meeting's chairman was white-haired Gen. Heriberto Jara, ex-Minister of the Navy, former president of the government party, and Stalin peace prize winner.

Speaking in the name of the Federation of People's Parties, Gen. Celestino Gasca, ex-Senator and ex-Governor of the Federal District (which includes Mexico City), and like Jara, one of the authors of the Mexican Constitution, brought the audience to its feet when he denounced the government's labor and agrarian policies and the violation of the right of asylum in the Gus Hall case.

Vicente Lombardo Toledano, president of the Confederation of Latin American Workers (CTAL) and head of the Popular Party, made a detailed analysis of the violation of the Mexican Constitution, the United Nations Charter and the Montevideo treaty of 1933 in the outrage against Hall.

Stating that Gus Hall isn't guilty of any offense or crime, Gen. Jara warned that "our silence or inactivity in preventing such things from continuing would demonstrate that our sovereignty no longer concerns us and that we admit as tolerable the Yankee intervention to the point of considering us an appendage of their government."

Solidarity messages were read from Gen. Octavio Vazquez, former Minister of Education and ex-chief prosecutor of the Mexican army; Dr. Eulalia Guzman, noted archeologist and historian; the Socialist Lawyers Front; the Students Association of the Higher Normal School; a group of Cuban intellectuals headed by Juan Marinello; the Federation of Cuban Women; Blas Roca, general secretary of the Popular Socialist (Communist) Party of Cuba; and Rodolfo Ghioldi, Presidential candidate of the Communist Party of Argentina.

Judge Delaney

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two teachers, Terry Rosenbaum and Max Gilgoff, who participated in the campaign for the indictment of the policeman, have been brought before the Board of Education, questioned concerning their activity in the Fields case, and told in substance that their conduct "creates the impression" that they are Communists.

Judge Delaney asked: "Did the Police Department, stung by the public exposure of their repeated attacks against the Negro people, set out to punish their critics by making charges against the two teachers to the Board of Education?"

"It so happens that I am informed that both Mr. Rosenbaum and Mr. Gilgoff have testified before the Board of Education that they are not Communists. These teachers have shown that they not only preach equal rights for all in the classroom, but they also practice it in the community where they live. We need more teachers who will do likewise.

Their threatened dismissal would be a victory for McCarthyism in our schools, and a threat to our democratic institutions. The public should become aroused and concerned about the sincerity of purpose of a Board of Education which goes easy on a May Quinn, who admittedly spreads anti-Negro and anti-Semitic poison in her classroom, while, on the other hand, it tries to pin the red label on teachers who fight to keep alive in their community the spirit of the Bill of Rights and the 14th Amendment—yes—even teachers who answered the 864 question about Communism in the negative."

Force Delay

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Robert H. Armstrong, head of the Real Estate Board, who admitted that \$150,000,000 in added city revenues were available through realistic assessment of property valuations.

Over 25 percent of the families in the area are Negroes, and 18 percent are Puerto Ricans. Sixty percent of the residents have annual incomes of less than \$3,000. Most of the 1,584 families on the site have lived in the community most-of their lives and have deep roots in the area.

PROMISES EXPOSED

William Stanley, chairman of the Manhattan Tenants Council, blasted the continuing jimcrow policies inherent in the proposed Manhattanville project. Promises of priority relocation in low-income projects adjacent to the "cooperative," which had been pledged by Cruise, "don't do us any good," said Stanley. "We've had plenty of those. We want deeds."

Cruise's relocation outlook was too grim even for the bi-partisan members of the Board. He said 1,600 families faced eviction, of which the CHA was "obligated" to provide low-income homes for only 600.

Five hundred of these families, he said, would be eligible for the proposed low-rent project planned just north of Manhattanville after June, 1952.

Tenants bitterly attacked this formula and said that the Federal Housing Program, riddled by reactionary congressmen, could not be depended on to provide even this inadequate development.

"Is that all the guarantee you can give these tenants?" Comptroller Lazarus Joseph asked of Cruise.

The Manhattanville issue has aroused the community to an intensified election pitch. ALP speakers, canvassers, leaflets and rallies are being warmly greeted by tenants, who have joined to beat back the real estate bloc and their political stooges.

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and John Abt representing the party, argued at an hour and a half session this afternoon that the retirement of Chairman Charles M. LaFollette after the Senate had failed to confirm him invalidates all of the five months of hearings on the Justice Department's petition calling for an order outlawing the Communist Party.

Marcantonio pointed out that the board's rulings throughout these hearings have been "tainted with bias and prejudice" because of the fear of board members that unless they did the bidding of Sen. Pat McCarran (D-Nev), they would not be confirmed by the Senate.

Abt cited the McCarran act itself, the regulations issued by the board, and a dozen court decisions to prove that the absence of the former chairman, LaFollette, from the proceedings makes the earlier hearings illegal.

Abt cited a legal memorandum prepared last July by George Gallagher, assistant counsel of the SACB, which supported the position of the Communist Party's attorneys.

Gallagher's conclusion had been that while a short absence of one member might not be fatal, it should be avoided.

The memorandum pointed out that higher courts had held that where credibility of witnesses is an important issue in administrative hearings, the conclusions must be drawn by permanent members or examiners who have both seen and heard the witnesses.

Marcantonio recalled that when the hearings opened last April he had warned the board that its proceedings would be in jeopardy because of the "revolver of nonconfirmation" held at their heads by Sen. McCarran.

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Tomorrow Manhattan

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AUTUMN BALL-CONCERT at Yugoslav-American Hall, 405 W. 41st St., Marietta Vore, soprano; Gloria and Louie, dancers; Samuel Spielman, celloist; Paula Mann, pianist. Buffet. Dance under the direction of Lioba Weinblatt. Admission in advance \$1.25 at door, \$1.50 tax incl. Auspices: Tchakowsky Club ARFC.

PAUL MANN, lecture on "Theatre in Poland Today," Saturday, Oct. 27, 8 p.m. at Polonia Club, 219 Second Ave. (near 14th St.). Admission free.

"THE CHILDHOOD OF GORKY" will be shown at the Jefferson School, Film Forum, Saturday, 8 p.m. in the Lounge of the School, 575 Sixth Ave., N.Y.C. There will be dancing and refreshments. Fee \$1.

Tomorrow Bronx

THIRD A.D.—ALP PLAYERS present "Civic Virtue," play by Alan Max. Saturday, Oct. 27 at 8:30 p.m. Refreshments, dancing, 154W. Tremont Ave., Room 204. Donation 75 cents.

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Coming

"WHAT'S NEW IN LABOR" will be discussed by George Morris at the Jefferson School, Sunday Night Forum, Sunday, Oct. 28 at the Jefferson School, 575 Sixth Ave., N.Y.C., 8 p.m. Fee \$1.

"THE DANGER OF ANTI-SEMITISM to our Community" discussion. Leader—Morris Schappes, Sunday, Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m. Ausp.: 13 A.D., ALP, 2410 Broadway, Room 201, corner 128th St. Dancing and refreshments. Donation 50 cents.

RECEPTION TO HONOR Mr. Jacques Isler, ALP Candidate for Justice Supreme Court. John T. McManus of National Guardian, will speak. Entertainment, refreshments. Subs. \$1. Ausp.: ALP 19th CD, 82 Second Ave., N.Y.C., from 3 to 7 p.m.

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MORRIS UNTERMANN

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Rundstedt, 'Massacre' Chief, Is Glamorized in Rommel Film

By DAVID FLATT

Mass murderer Von Rundstedt of the German General Staff is pictured as a hero along with Rommel in the pro-Nazi film Desert Fox made by 20th Century Fox. Such a distortion of history surpasses the freeing of Ilse Koch, Nazi 'artiste' who created lampshades and curtains from human flesh.

Zanuck's studio made The Iron Curtain a few years ago, a brutal warmongering film slandering the officers and men who helped America by holding Stalingrad.

Should it surprise anyone that this same studio has made a film glorifying the pyromaniacs who tried to put the torch to our country?

An industry that does nothing to fight anti-Semitism and discrimination against Negroes but yelps only for war against the 'reds' is ripe for films honoring the gang that annihilated six million Jews. That America is thereby dishonored and betrayed is of minor importance to them.

"For my part, bygones are bygones," General Eisenhower declared to a group of generals, industrialists and nationalist politicians of West Germany on his visit to Frankfurt last January.

This was a far cry from Eisenhower's war-time declaration that "the world would not be safe until the German General Staff was exterminated, or exiled."

Now — to America's great shame—a movie studio echoes Eisenhower's bygones are bygones by embracing German General Staff member Von Rundstedt—the same von Rundstedt who planned the Christmas breakthrough in the Ardennes in 1944 known as the Battle of the Bulge which took thousands of American lives.

This mass murderer bore chief responsibility for the brutal massacre of 115 helpless American war prisoners by Nazi troops during the Battle of the Bulge. The date which will live in infamy was Dec. 31, 1944. The murdered GIs were mostly from a battery of a field artillery observation battalion which was moving to convoy. At a road junction about three miles below Malmedy the men ran into German tanks which immediately opened fire. But here is the rest of the story in the documentary report of Allied Supreme headquarters:

"In the meantime all of the battery's personnel were captured and rounded up on a cleared field, being lined up six ranks deep. They were immediately searched for cigarettes and other valuables. Suddenly, and for no apparent reason, shots were fired into this group of defenseless prisoners by a German guard.

"Immediately following this outbreak, two of the German tanks began spraying the Americans with machine-gun fire from a distance of about 75 to 120 feet. Killed and wounded prisoners fell to the ground, including those who were not hit. But it is thought the majority of these latter men were killed later when machine-guns continued spraying the men on the ground.

"As the tanks prepared to depart from the field, they drove past the fallen prisoners, their machine-guns pouring additional bullets into those already killed and many who were wounded. As a parting gesture, German infantrymen on top of the tanks fired their small arms into the helpless mass.

"Finally, the German soldiers walked through, deliberately shooting those who showed signs of life. Approximately 20 or 25 soldiers, the majority wounded, decided to make a run for

it. Guards immediately opened fire as the men broke into a run and only about 15 eventually managed to gain their freedom."

Von Rundstedt was never brought to trial for this atrocity but was freed and is now cast as a hero, an anti-Hitlerite in the 20th Century Fox movie Desert Fox. This is belied by an old clipping from the N. Y. Times of July 3, 1945. The Times headline states: "German Generals quarrel in camp. Von Rundstedt and his clique refuse to associate with anti-Hitlerite officers." The story speaks of the enmity between Von Rundstedt and two officers who were involved in the Hitler bomb plot. "They pass one another sometimes under the trees in the yard but do not speak," said the Times. Reason: Von Rundstedt presided at the German Army court of honor that tried the Hitler bomb-plotters. Hitler himself appointed him to that post.

Thus the movie lies when it suggests that von Rundstedt was anti-Hitler. The facts show

that he was pro-Hitler as late as 1945 when he was a war prisoner waiting trial.

Richard Findlater, columnist on the Bevanite London Tribune says this about Desert Fox: "It is an exciting, entertaining piece of propaganda for the German Army. James Mason gives a very good performance as the hero. But to state that Rommel was just a soldier not interested in politics is to ignore the dirty facts of German history before Alamein. To suggest that von Rundstedt and his fellow officers were just good chaps in a jam is viciously irrelevant. To make Rommel a fighter for freedom, however belated, is historically bunk. And to imply that the Afrika Korps was only beaten because of faulty supplies, and that the Allies only won the war because Rommel wasn't in command of the German Army—as this film, it seems to me, does suggest—is politically insane and irresponsible. That it's a good film makes 'Rommel—Desert Fox' more dangerous."

A WRITER'S IMPRESSIONS AT 'OLIVER TWIST' SHOWING

By H. HARTMAN

The writer saw the film Oliver Twist after it had received rave reviews from the New York critics, who mentioned only in passing that Alec Guinness' portrayal of Fagin 'might' have anti-Semitic 'overtones,' but who refused to let it sway them from their overwhelming approval of the Arthur Rank production.

We went to the film prepared to see that the cuts which had been made after protest in America and bloody demonstrations of Jews and Nazi-victims in France and Western Germany had actually removed the more blatant expressions of anti-Semitism. We were brutally disillusioned.

From the moment Fagin appears on the screen, one is gripped with a feeling of numbed disbelief, which turns first to horror and then to anger, that the vile posters which adorned the walls of the Warsaw Ghetto should come to life on the screen of a sedate movie house in New York City.

Fagin, the arch-villain of Oliver Twist, has every characteristic of Streicher's Jude: the huge beaked nose, the flat round hat, the black, unruly beard, the thick lips, the long coat, the hand gestures, the wily, thieving, money-hungry ways, the guttural 'Yiddish' accent, the leering at young boys—it is all there, and the acrid stench of Auschwitz fills the nostrils as he limps and slithers across the screen.

Not wanting to believe that this hateful portrayal was intentional, we tried to find excuses in the rest of the film, as the critics had done.

"There are other villains" we said. But, insistently, the film itself gave the answer. None of the others is depicted as is Fagin—not Mr. Bumble, ruler of the workhouse, who cruelly mistreats the orphans, but who is himself the affably bumbling victim of a shrewish wife; not Sowerberry, the undertaker who exploits Oliver, but who elevates him in his apprenticeship; not Nancy, the prostitute who drags Oliver back to Fagin's den of thieves, but who befriends him and dies trying to rescue him; not even the murderous Bill Sikes (whose fearfulness should in itself take the film off any 'recommended' list for children), who feels remorse at having killed his mistress.

Only Fagin remains unregenerate to the very end. And if others are more brutal, they are shown as only the pawns of the clever Fagin, who manipulates them all and who profits from

every abuse of the defenseless Oliver.

If any doubts remained, Fagin's last scene removed them. His beard trembling, he stands before the street door of his den—locked out by his accomplices and victims above, facing the battering ram of the outraged citizenry below. As the door shudders under the blows, Fagin shouts: "You have no right to butcher me!"

The crash of the door is his answer, and one can almost hear the voice of a Hitler drawing the obvious lesson for the audience: "Of course we have a right to butcher them; haven't we seen how loathsome they are!" (Reprinted from Jewish Youth Builder).

(There will be a symposium on Oliver Twist tonight (Friday) at Parkway Plaza, Eastern Parkway, cor. Utica Ave. Speakers include Dr. Annette Rubenstein, principal of the Robert Louis Stevenson School; Mrs. Alcott Tyler, PTA Council and civic leader in Bedford Stuyvesant area, and Mrs. June Gordon, executive director, Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs. The meeting is sponsored by the Nostrand and Crown Heights Clubs of the Emma Lazarus Federation.

Offer 3 Films and Discussion-Forum

With a program of shorts headed by the new British film, The Undefeated, the Saturday Night Film Club will inaugurate its new policy of discussion-forums this Saturday evening at the club's headquarters, 111 W. 88th St. The forum will take place directly after the first show. The film program will include Song of Peace, brilliant record of the Prague Youth festival, and the satirical Soviet comedy, Lieutenant Hop.

There will be three showings of the shorts program, and a social throughout the evening.

P.S. The Undefeated is a documentary about the rehabilitation of British war veterans, considered superior to The Men.

Two Soviet Science Films at Stanley

Starting Saturday, the Stanley will revive Life in Bloom and Miracle of Dr. Petrov, two films about science. Based on the story of Michurin, Soviet scientist and horticulturist, Life in Bloom features a musical score by Shostakovich. Miracle of Dr. Petrov is a moving story of Soviet doctors at work, particularly in the field of infantile paralysis.

on the scoreboard— by lester rodney

In Nat Low's Memory . . .

MORE READERS ARE sending along their bit toward the paper's \$25,000 fund appeal in memory of Nat Low. The morning mail brought a five dollar check from Providence with the note: "A great column on Nat Low. Enclosed is \$5 in his memory, for he will live forever in the hearts of all those who fight for freedom. . . . Fraternally, a R. I. Friend."

A money order from New York brings \$3.50 from Helen Jones. A dollar bill from New York with the note: "Just read your column on Nat Low. What a wonderful paper we've got! And what real people."

Yesterday, JN of Long Island City, together with an excellent letter which we will reprint first chance, wrote: "Your column on Nat Low was a gem and my enclosed five bucks are given in his memory." Enclosed, however, was a TEN dollar bill. Then we found the PS: "Just read the fund appeal on the front page. Had to raise the ante, just can't help it even though it's a lot of dough for me."

Have you sent in your's yet? You can address it to me and have it credited here in Nat's memory if you like.

Picking the Fight

JOE LOUIS is up against a tough foe tonight at the Garden. Rocky Marciano, of Brockton, Mass., has won all 37 professional fights, 32 of them by kayo, has never been floored and is 10 years younger than the man who was the greatest heavyweight to ever pull on the gloves.

I saw Marciano here on the night he clubbed a reeling Vingo to the hospital while Dr. Vincent Nardiello let the fight go down to the last near-fatal punch, delivered to the jaw of a defenseless 20-year-old who had a history of a fractured skull as a boy.

There is no question about Marciano's ruggedness and hitting power. He has some obvious deficiencies for a would-be-champ, notably a lack of reach and a general awkwardness. Some of his foes have been carefully selected to pad his record, a common practice for the "buildup." But the early estimations of Marciano as being "nothing" have been changing as he took on and surmounted tougher opposition. Roland La Starza was supposed to be a really up and coming contender and Marciano beat him. The solid young Rex Layne from Utah, victor over Jersey Joe Walcott a year ago, became another KO in the Marciano record.

Inevitably one thinks "What would the old Louis have done to this guy?" In fact, one writer put just that question to Joe at the Pompton Lakes camp this week and Louis retorted typically, "Never mind that. I just care about what THIS old Louis will do with Marciano."

It's the opinion here that "this old Louis" still is too much for the likes of Marciano. And since Rocky's style is to move in slugging, and Louis has been displaying enough of the old counter-punching combinations to evoke nostalgic memories of what once was, the opinion is furthermore that there will be a knockout in the second round.

This, of course, is an opinion that Marciano does not share, and he will be the party of the second part in the Garden ring and on thousands of television screens. As the "old Louis" of pre-war days himself once said in refusing to predict an easy victory over one of his foes, "Anyone who comes in the ring with two good arms to swing is liable to hit you, and anyone who hits you is liable to hurt you. . . ."

(By the way, in case you didn't notice, Louis took time out the other day to wire his support to Josephine Baker and the offer of funds, if needed, to press the fight against Walter Winchell's jimcrow hangout, the Stork Club.)

. . . And Some Football Games

THE WORLD SERIES is over by two weeks, unbeaten, mighty California, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Kentucky, Texas, etc., etc., etc., have already been whipped. It's time for us to get off the limb and pick some football "winners."

OK here we go. You name the game, I'll pick it. Isn't science wonderful?

Cornell my unfailing hunch against Princeton in the East's big game of unbeaten down at Old Nassau. The single-wing Tigers seem to be a slight favorite, but I don't think that raft of Big Red talent has really pulled the trigger yet.

Penn's raw power and talented sophomores—not to mention junior wows like end Bell—to hang another one on Navy, which without any cribbing deficiencies isn't winning any more games than Army that you could notice.

Columbia to give the straightbacks another lesson up at the Point.

Colgate to add some more woes to battered Yale's overflowing cup. This is an upset. Coach Hickman has a 10-year contract anyhow.

Indiana, fresh off its thumping 32-10 walloping of Ohio State, to-foiled you—succumb to very solid Illinois. Elsewhere in the Midwest, Wisconsin to strike another blow for rock-ribbed defense by stopping unbeaten Northwestern; Ohio State to save Coach Hayes' job for another week by beating Iowa; Michigan, sharpening up its old spinning trickery, too much for Wes Fesler's young Minnesota team; Notre Dame over subpar Purdue; Michigan State better than Pitt.

Also Lehigh over poor NYU; Syracuse to jolt Fordham, Dartmouth to nip Harvard—as if Harvard cares after beating Army; Boston U over Temple; Bucknell over Lafayette; Holy Cross over Brown; Kansas over Kansas State; Nebraska over Missouri; Wake Forest upsets North Carolina; Oklahoma still too much for Colorado; USC over TCU; California over Oregon State; Washington over Stanford; Texas over Rice; Maryland over LSU; Georgia Tech over Vandy; Kentucky over Florida; Texas A&M over Baylor; Mississippi over Alabama.

Got that all straight? Now do it go betting any of the money you intend to send in for the paper's fund drive!

And skipping one sport ahead, must mention the fact that the wondrous Harlem Globetrotters are at the Garden tomorrow night. Oh yes, the Knicks open their league season against Philadelphia on the same program.

Milk Strike Ends, Men Win \$10.80

The milk strike here was ended last night with an agreement giving the 15,000 striking members of the AFL Teamsters Union a \$10.80 a week package increase. This will include \$10 in cash and 80 cents in welfare and vacation benefits.

Hit New Indictment Of Wm. Remington

The American Civil Liberties Union yesterday called the government's new perjury indictment of William W. Remington a violation of due process of law, and urged Attorney General J. Howard McGrath to move for immediate quashing of the indictment.

Noting that the original perjury indictment was being challenged in the U. S. Supreme Court as biased, the ACLU stated that under the new action "prosecutors could always proceed under biased and prejudiced indictments for perjury and then claim later that the defendant had perjured himself in the trial by denying the various matters constituting the crime."

The strike had halted deliveries in the metropolitan New York area which includes sections of New Jersey and Connecticut.

It was indicated yesterday that the Office of Price Stabilization would authorize the dairy trusts to put a new hike of 1½ cents to 2 cents a quart on milk.

Hits Naming of Nazi General To Post Here

An appeal to all candidates for City Council president to "join in protest against appointment of a former Nazi army medical chief to the Randolph Field Air Forces school was made yesterday by Clifford T. McAvoy, ALP candidate.

Dr. Walter P. Schreiber, who as a general headed the Nazi army's medical science division, was revealed yesterday as a member of the U. S. Air Forces School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Field.

2,000 Rubber Strikers Ignore Order to Return

POTTSTOWN, Pa., Oct. 25.—More than 2,000 striking plastic and rubber workers at the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. plant here today ignored union orders to return to work.

Robert E. Carber, president of Local 336 CIO United Rubber Workers, ordered the strikers back late yesterday, terming the walk-out "unauthorized," although he backed up the men in their grievance.

Union and company negotiators met for three and one-half hours yesterday without reaching any agreement in a dispute over outside contractors. Carber's order followed the negotiating session.

The plant's 108 maintenance workers walked off their jobs Monday, charging the company brought in the outside contractors to perform maintenance and machine installation work at cheaper rates. The entire personnel of the plant joined the walkout Tuesday night.

Spokesmen for the strikers said the outsiders were brought in at \$1.35 hourly to do the same work for which they receive \$1.95 hourly, plus bonuses for "objectionable work" under the union contract.

'MEET YOUR CANDIDATES' DINNER TO BE HELD BY ALP

The ALP will hold its "Meet Your Candidates" election campaign dinner next Tuesday evening, in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor, Broadway and 43 St.

Guests will include Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, Shirley Graham, Leon Straus, Ada B. Jackson, Rev. Edward D. McGowan, C. B. Baldwin and Minneola Ingersoll.

Speakers will include Vito Marcantonio, ALP state chairman;

Clifford T. McAvoy, ALP candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court, and Capt. Hugh N. Mulzac, ALP candidate for president of the Borough of Queens.

Entertainment, directed by Les Pine, will include Lloyd Gough, Hollywood actor; Martha Schlamme, folk singer, and the People's Artist Quartet, featuring Laura Duncan, Osborn Smith, Ernie Lieberman and Betty Sanders.

MULZAC PLEDGES A WEEKLY 'PEOPLE'S DAY' FOR QUEENS

Capt. Hugh Mulzac, ALP candidate for president of the borough of Queens, declared last night at a rally at Jamaica Arena, that if he is elected he would set aside one day every week as "people's day." On that day, he said, "any citizen of Queens could come to borough hall and present any grievance, any proposal, any claim. We will not go home that day till we take care of everyone's problem."

Capt. Mulzac, who was the first Negro sea captain in World War II, hailed the dock strike as a "grand revolt against the goons

of Joseph P. Ryan."

He pledged to back the Queens citizens' struggles for better garbage collections, street repairs, free transfers, lower gas rates and lower taxes.

The meeting was chaired by Ewart Guinier.

Scheduled to speak were Vito Marcantonio, ALP state chairman; Mrs. Carrie Kyzer, Corona leader of the Negro Elks; Clifford T. McAvoy, ALP candidate for president of the City Council, and Carl Lawrence, Harlem Democratic leader.

Dock Strike

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"six months if necessary," announced the dispatch of flying squadrons southward along the coast.

In Brooklyn, a membership meeting of Local 808, of which Frank Nawrocki is business agent, took the same action by passing a motion categorically rejecting any scheme that require the workers to return to work before the contract is renegotiated.

ASK JOINT COMMITTEE

It was also agreed at the Brooklyn meeting that a delegation go to the predominantly Negro Local 968 of Brooklyn, and propose a joint strike committee on the Brooklyn docks. The latter local had for a long time been waging a struggle against the Ryan machine for definite jurisdiction over certain docks, and a guarantee of the right to work on an equal basis with others in the union.

Local 808 gave official sanction to the strike, as have other locals. Nawrocki who gained prominence in the strike for leading the squads that stopped the docks over which racketeer Anthony Anastasia is hiring boss, confessed to the men that in the first few days he was a bit doubtful on the outlook for the strike. But he added that he is all out for it now because he sees there is a good chance to make gains for the workers.

As a result of the stand of the two meetings, picketing was more widespread on all waterfronts yesterday, with heavy concentrations at the Brooklyn Army Base pier at 58th St., and at pier 90 on the Hudson River, where the liner Caronia came in.

The two meetings also blocked

the plans of federal mediators, who had based their strategy on hoodwinking the men into some back-to-work proposition. The mediators were scheduled to make new tries, but instead of bothering with the internal situation in the International Longshoremen's Association they will have to get after the shipowners to agree to new negotiations. Clyde Mills, the government's "trouble shooter" admitted that the "family quarrel" is "well nigh impossible to solve."

The workers are insisting on a 25-cent hourly raise; a day's pay guarantee if called to work; 10 cents an hour more into the welfare fund; liberalization of the requirements (now 800 hours work a year) for qualifying for the pension or vacation, and no splitting of work gangs as the shipowners are doing to increase speedup and reduce work opportunities.

Dockers News, daily bulletin of the rank and file longshoremen, came out with a special afternoon edition yesterday to warn longshoremen against back-to-work schemes. Referring to the mediators' strategy, Dockers News says: "They are doing nothing to put the heat on the shipowners to compel them to agree to our demands. Instead they put the heat on us and our leaders with all kinds of back-to-work formulas."

"Let's tell our leaders not to give in to any of these back-to-work schemes. We must reject the mistaken advice of any of our leaders who give in to the government-supported shipowner heat. Let's stand firm and say no to anyone who tells us to return to work, with no more than an agreement to 're-open the contract.'"

"Such a proposal, no matter who is foolish enough to make them, is only sucker bait. It plays right into the hands of the shipowners. If we fall for it, we would be compelled to bargain later from a weakened position and therefore get much less than we now can. The shipowners know that if we remain out solid now, our bargaining position is stronger. That's why they want us to go back before they talk with us."

The morning issue of Dockers News again pressed its proposal for a giant demonstration outside

Left Laborite Is Reelected

LONDON, Friday, Oct. 26.—Sidney Silverman, left wing Laborite, was reelected today. He received a majority of 4,000 compared with 4,242 in 1950.

Early returns in the general election produced no upsets of prominent members of any party.

At 2 a. m. London time, the popular vote was 5,161,183 for the Labor Party and 4,846,761 for the Conservative Party with 151 seats for Labor and 125 for the Conservatives.

Picasso Honored On 70th Birthday

VALLAURIS, France, Oct. 25.—Pablo Picasso, world-famed Spanish-born Communist artist, celebrated his 70th birthday today with Communist friends in this picturesque Mediterranean town.

The local branch of the Communist Party gave a big, joyous party in his honor.

Today's celebration followed a testimonial dinner held for Picasso last night by the local committee of pottery artists, who, like most residents of Vallauris, are grateful to the exile from the Franco dictatorship for making the town a tourist attraction.

Picasso was accompanied to the banquet by his 26-year-old French wife, the former Francoise Gilot, and their children, Claude 2, and Paloma, a 4-year-old daughter named for the peace dove—which is her father's most noted recent creation.

The artist divides his time at present between his ceramic studio here and his famous studio in Paris' Rue St. Augustin.

the offices of the shipowners' association.

"King" Joseph Ryan was closeted yesterday in a strategy session with his general executive boards and announced rejection of any proposals to renegotiate the terms. At pier 90, one of his henchmen, Harold Bowers, delegate of Local 824, with headquarters directly across the street led 50 police-protected strikebreakers through the picket line. Some 300 pickets were concentrated and some fist-fighting occurred.

Bowers men did not work the Caronia, however. He said he only sought to show he could break through the line. Indications pointed to deliberate provocation, possibly to provide the excuse for an injunction and greater police protection to strikebreakers.

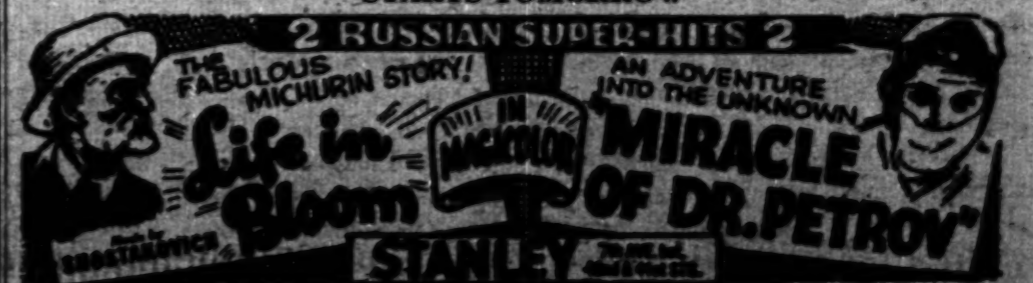
Some 300 men, mobilized by boss Alex DeBrizzi, Ryan's Staten Island man, worked at the Stapleton Army Base. An attempt was also reported to work the Caven Point, N. J., Army base with about enough men to form two gangs. But not a single instance of work on private docks was reported.

The major obstacle to the sailing of the liner America was removed by the strikers when they failed to picket her. The National Maritime Union's heads said they would hold up the ship only if they had to pass a picket line.

The Vulcania sailed without unloading a 1,260-ton cargo, including 500 tons of chestnuts and some Italian cheeses. Incoming mail held up amounted to more than 5,000 sacks. Estimated value of the goods tied up in the struck ships was up to \$275,000,000 yesterday.



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Gov't \$\$\$ Aid Dock Strikebreakers

By ART SHIELDS

Shipping firms which control the stevedore business in New York are collecting \$80,000,000 a year from the Federal government in subsidies but refuse to grant New York striking dockers a decent settlement of their demands.

This is outrageous. The Truman administration could quickly compel these greedy shipping companies to meet the men's just demands by cutting off these fat subsidies until the shipowners settle the strike.

These maritime profiteers, whom the Government is fattening, include the Morgan and Rockefeller families. These are the men whom "King" Joe Ryan's muscle men like Anastasia, are helping by their strikebreaking. The subsidies that fatten these magnates come from American taxpayers. Much of the money is picked out of the pockets of the longshoremen themselves and the seamen and other workers by the withholding tax system.

This maritime subsidy has been well described as "Operation Plunder." The 80 million dollars is not intended to meet operating deficits. There are no deficits in this fantastically profitable industry. The money is used to guarantee minimum profits of 10 percent. The subsidy agreement provides that none of the gravy has to be refunded to the government until profits pass 10 percent.

The United States Lines, a J. P. Morgan bank company, is the biggest feeder at the subsidy trough. It collected a total of \$7,331,828 in government subsidies last year.

The U. S. Lines also has the closest connections with "King" Joe Ryan, who is trying to break the strike of hundreds of his men on the company's docks on Piers 46, 59, 60, 61, 62, 73, 74 and 86 on the Hudson River and on Pier 17 in Staten Island.

Vincent Astor, the multimillionaire landlord, who rackrents New York tenement dwellers, is one of the biggest directors on this strike-breaking company.

Another one of the subsidy profiteers is John W. Hanes, who works for both Morgan and Hearst. He doubles as chairman of the U. S. Lines executive committee and as chairman of the Hearst Corp.'s finance committee.

The official \$7,331,828 subsidy is only a starter. The government has also promised U. S. lines a special \$44,000,000 subsidy next year when it turns over the brand new 980-foot super liner, the SS United States to the Morgan company. The SS United States is costing the government \$70,000,000. It is letting the shipping company have it for \$26,000,000. The

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Gov't Anti-Peace Policy Sends Cost of Living to Record High

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—The Truman Administration's armaments, no - negotiation program pushed the cost-of-living for the American people to a new all-time high today. According to the government's own Bureau of Labor Statistics (widely accused of rigging figures to play down

the real climb in living costs), the price index on consumer items rose six-tenths of one percent from Aug. 15 to Sept. 15, reaching 186.6 percent of the 1935-39 price level.

The Truman government admission of new record-breaking price boosts came on the heels of the new tax swindle law. This law, hastily signed by Truman, slaps an average 11 1/4 percent tax increase on workingclass families and other low wage earners while permitting Big Business to get away with its war profiteering.

New cost-of-living increases are to come soon, with "Price Stabilization" officials announcing yesterday that the price of beef will once again rise, this time by at least five percent, and before Christmas. The OPS is readying a new beef ceiling regulation

which will permit beef producers to apply for ceiling increases based on all cost increases, including their advertising costs, between the start of the Korean War and July 26, 1951.

The BLS announcement came as many of the major unions in the country, including the United Electrical Workers, CIO Steelworkers and the Miners were preparing to square off for new contract talks on wages and other issues.

According to the government index, the price spiral that began in February, 1950, and continued every month until August, has now resumed.

Clothing prices took the biggest jump during the Aug. 15-Sept. 15 period. Food increased to 11.9 percent above the pre-Korea level.

There was a six percent rise in egg prices.

Residential rents jumped an average one half of one percent, reflecting increases under the new federal law permitting a 20 percent rise over January, 1947, levels.

Prices of miscellaneous goods and services increased four-tenths of one percent. These included auto and beer prices, transit fares and doctor and dentise fees. House furnishings and fuel and refrigeration each rose one-tenth of one percent.

2,000 AT MEXICO CITY RALLY FLAY SEIZURE OF GUS HALL

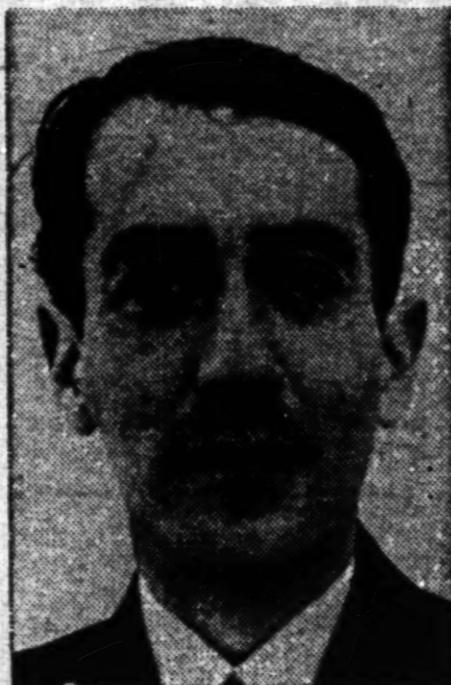
By A. B. MAGIL

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 25.—The indignation of the Mexican people at the seizure and delivery to the FBI of Gus Hall, national secretary of the Communist Party of the U.S.A., found expression in the

protest of 2,000 workers and intellectuals who filled to overflowing the Arbu Theatre here. The meeting voted to organize a committee for the defense of the rights of man to protect both Mexicans



BLAS ROCA



LOMBARDO TOLEDANO

McAvoy Slams School Board For War 'Dog-Tags' on Children

The Board of Education's "private" war games in the city schools, gruesomely highlighted by distribution of dog-tags to every child, was strongly protested by Clifford T. McAvoy, American Labor Party candidate for City Council President, in a broadcast over WNEW last night. McAvoy charged the dog-tag was hysteria was a deliberate propaganda barrage to "hound and

frighten children with the false idea that war is inevitable."

The ALP candidate cited competent medical opinion to prove his accusation that the scheme would seriously injure the welfare of the students and create strains and tensions undermining their health.

"Instead of learning brotherhood and peace," he said, "they

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and persecuted foreigners.

Among the speakers were leaders of four political parties: the Federation of People's Parties, the country's largest opposition party; the Constitutionalist Party, formed chiefly by surviving deputies to the 1917 convention that wrote the Mexican Constitution; the Communist Party, and the Popular Party.

On the backdrop of the stage was painted a vivid cartoon entitled: "Throw the Yankee Police Out of Mexico!" It showed Hall being dragged away by a Mexican policeman and a masked FBI

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Dr. Fairchild Asks Truman Cut Bail For California 15

Dr. Henry Pratt Fairchild, secretary of the National Council, Arts, Sciences and Professions, urged in a telegram to President Truman yesterday that he instruct the Justice Department to accede to the reduction of excessive bail in the case of 15 California defendants under the Smith Act.

CAP YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS WITH \$5 FOR YOUR PAPER

Among the answers we received yesterday to our plea for \$5 from 5,000 readers was one from a Communist Party member, who wrote:

"In response to your plea for funds, I am sending you \$5—I can manage at this time since I

recently contributed to a fund drive."

No need to apologize. All of us are called upon to contribute heavily in the fight for peace, for democratic rights, for progress.

But just because we are devoted to this fight, we all know the Daily Worker and Worker must continue to publish. This is why we ask every reader, including those who have already contributed to the drive or to any other worthy cause, to pinch himself or herself a bit more and send us the fiver to keep the paper going.

Another reader, signing himself J. R. C., Brooklyn, asks that we acknowledge in the paper receipt of \$10 from him. We are glad to make this acknowledgement. The request for it, though, tells us what we have discovered also from other sources. Some of our readers don't like to put cash in envelopes, and hesitate, because of the atmosphere of hysteria, to use any other way of sending money.

We suggest you overcome your hesitation. Either put the dough in the envelope, or send us money

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Back-to-Work Ruse Spurned by Dockers

By George Morris

Instructing their leaders not to fall for any back-to-work schemes, striking longshoremen holding lines solid along all waterfronts in New York harbor, dispatched flying squadrons to Philadelphia, Chester, Baltimore and Norfolk to spread the walkout. The number

of ships tied up grew to 144. Only at the Stapleton, S. I., Army base was there some scab work, and in Brooklyn's Army Base a handful given civil service status, was scabbing.

The temper of the strikers was made crystal clear Wednesday night in Brooklyn and Manhattan meetings, when Gene Sampson's

proposal was rejected for return to work on a promise of a ballot supervised by an outside agency on whether the workers accept the pact negotiated by "King" Joe Ryan.

Sampson, who is chief spokesman of the strikers revealed the decision of a strike mass meeting, representative of all participating locals, that met in the hall of Local 791, of which he is business agent. Sampson, predicting the workers were ready to stay out

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Here is what the longshore strikers want:

- A raise of 25 cents an hour (Ryan got 10 cents)
- A full day's wage guarantee if called to work.
- Ten cents an hour more into the welfare fund and a better than pin money pensions (now \$35, Ryan got only 1 1/2 cents).
- Reduction of the required number of hours work a year to qualify for vacations and pensions to 500 hours. (It is 800 now).
- No splitting of work gangs.

200 Chi. Delegates Set For Negro Labor Meet

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—Some 200 delegates are expected to be in Cincinnati this weekend to take part in the founding convention of the National Negro Labor Council. Reports from Sam Parks, delegation leader, showed that the group from this area will include many rank-and-file delegates chosen by their local unions.

The Chicago delegation was slated to form a banner-bedecked car and bus caravan after work on Friday and proceed to Cincinnati. Parks declared that a number of steel and railroad workers will be in Chicago group. The largest delegation of approximately 55 will go from electrical and farm equip-



SAM PARKS

ment shops which are under the leadership of the United Electrical Workers.

The packing locals here elected 36 delegates. An additional 32 were chosen from auto shops.

The Fur, Leather & Luggage Workers announced that it was sending 30 delegates. Ten were being sent by the International Longshoremen and Warehousemen, and five by the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers.

In addition, there were also delegates representing organizations such as the Chicago Tenants Action Council, which sent four delegates.

"We've been pleased by the response," Parks declared, "which comes in the face of the frantic efforts made by the Murrys and Reuthers to destroy the National Negro Labor Council before it gets on its feet."

"However, we are assured now that there will be a fighting new organization of workers in this country battling for Negro rights and for the unity of Negro and white."

B'klyn Rally to Hit Indictment of Wm. Patterson

Candidates of all political parties for the post of President of City Council will be given an opportunity to take a stand on the indictment for "contempt" of William L. Patterson, national secretary of the Civil Rights Congress, it was announced by the Bedford-Stuyvesant Chapter.

The chapter, which is sponsoring a protest meeting to demand the quashing of the indictment and action instead against Rep. Latham of Georgia, is requesting all four candidates to present statements on the case and the issues involved which may be read at the meeting on Monday, Oct. 29 at 8 p. m., at Paragon Hall, 4 Brooklyn Ave., Brooklyn.

Mrs. Bessie Mitchell, sister of Collis English, one of the Trenton Six, and Mrs. Frances Grayson, widow of one of the Martinsville Seven, will speak at the meeting.

With them on the program will be Mr. Patterson, Mrs. Hattie Brisbane, well-known Bedford-Stuyvesant leader in tenant and consumer activities, and Mrs. Mabel Thompson, chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Chapter of CRC.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN NEW ENGLAND BLAMED ON WAR ECONOMY BY PROGRESSIVE PARLEY

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—Growing unemployment in New England was blamed on the huge arms expenditure and the war economy program of the just adjourned Congress by the New England Conference of the Progressive Party in a two-day session at the Hotel Lenox here.

The conference, which adjourned Sunday afternoon, pledged that a presidential peace candidate would be on the ballot of all New England states in the 1952 elections. Delegates also resolved to support independent peace candidates in other races and pledged to build an organization that would give effective support to the candidates.

Key speakers included Miss Florence Luscomb, Cambridge, Mass., state chairman; C. B. Baldwin, former Farm Security Administrator, now national secretary of

the Progressive Party; Mrs. Eslande Robeson, Enfield, Conn., chairman of that state's Peoples Party; Dr. Willard Uphaus, New Haven, Conn., American Peace Crusade executive; Mrs. Elizabeth Moos, Croton, N. Y., Peace Information Center official; and John T. McManus, New York City, managing editor of the National Guardian.

About 200 delegates from all six New England states attended the sessions which included panel meetings and an evening of entertainment, the latter sponsored by the Progressive Party Ward Clubs of Boston, Saturday; and a general session Sunday afternoon.

Panel leaders included Mrs. Laura M. O'Brien, recent Boston councilmanic candidate; Mrs. Robeson; Roy Atus, Roxbury; George F. Markham, Cambridge, New England educational director of the Fur and Leather Workers

Union; and Dr. H. Wyne Daggett, Durham, N. H.

The conference reviewed the work of the 82nd Congress and termed it "worse than the do-nothing 80th Congress." Delegates pledged to back only those candidates who would work for an end to the armaments program which, they declared, is "depressing the whole New England area."

In other resolutions, it pledged an "unqualified fight for full rights for the Negro people; agreed to work for an end to the wage freeze and a repeal of the Taft-Hartley law." They attacked "the existing thought control tactics of those who seek to perpetuate the war hysteria" and pledged "a fight for repeal of the Smith Act, the McCarran Act and the 32-year old anti-anarchy act whose first victims were Prof. Dirk Struik of MIT and Harry Winner, Malden businessman and civic leader."

RETAIL PRICES JUMP AGAIN ON FOOD, CLOTHING IN N.Y.

Retail prices paid by consumers in New York City for cost-of-living items rose 0.9 percent from mid-August to mid-September, according to a report issued today by Robert R. Behlow, Regional Director of the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics. Retail prices are now 6.3 percent above a year ago and 9.3 percent above the pre-Korean levels. The Con-

sumers Price Index for New York City stands at 182.5 percent of the 1935-1939 average of prices.

The increase during the month was attributed primarily to the rise of 5.4 percent in retail apparel prices. Retail food prices rose 0.3 percent during the month, bringing them 11.0 percent higher than in June 1950, just prior to the hostilities in Korea.

Syracusan Asks Truman Act for Talks with USSR

SYRACUSE, Oct. 25.—The following letter appeared in the Syracuse Herald-Journal:

"It is comforting to hear the renewed suggestion (just now made by Winston Churchill) that a friendly talk on a real level between the heads of the leading governments—Russia, Britain and the United States—could not do any harm and might do much good. Churchill seems to think a conference, if held a year ago, might have prevented the Korean war."

"This sort of talk sounds very good after recent news items about our 'fantastic weapons' and Russia's new atomic bomb. Let's talk more about possibilities and plans for peace. Keep up our plans for defense, of course, but let us be ever on the watch for opportunities for continued peace."

"Russia has been trying to put itself in the limelight in 'peace'

propaganda and doubtless has caught the attention of the great masses of people, nine-tenths of whom dread the prospect of war of world-devastating proportions."

"Let our President forthwith take the lead in a move for another conference."

"ROSCOE NUNN."

Dr. Uphaus to Talk in Detroit

DETROIT, Oct. 25.—Dr. Willard Uphaus, co-director of the American Peace Crusade, will speak on the Road to Peace at a mass meeting sponsored by the Michigan Peace Council on Thursday, Nov. 8 at 8 p. m. at the Detroit Federation of Women's Clubs, 4811 2nd at Hancock.

Dr. Uphaus formerly was executive secretary of the National Religion and Labor Foundation and is a member of the administrative committee of the Methodist Federation for Social Action.

Progressives Map 6-State Philly Parley

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25.—Progressive Party leadership from five states in the Middle Atlantic Region will meet here in two-day conference Nov. 17 and 18, presidential election campaign in 1952, Zalmon H. Garfield, state director, announced today.

The five states involved are New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania. Washington, D. C., will also participate.

The conference will tackle three main problems in panel sessions:

- Strengthening the Progressive Party organization in metropolitan areas, small towns and rural areas.
- Organizing the Progressive Party in the Negro community.
- Organizing the Progressive Party in communities of workers.

There will be two plenary sessions. The sessions on the roof-garden of the Adelphi Hotel, will be attended by 250 to 300 leaders from the five states.

Schappes to Talk At ALP Forum

Morris Schappes will lead a discussion on "The Danger of Anti-Semitism to Our Community" at Room 201, 3410 Broadway, Sunday at 7:30 p.m. The discussion will be followed by free refreshments and dancing. This is the first of a series of lectures and movies sponsored by the 13th A. D. American Labor Party.

PEKING PAPER RIPS SEIZURE OF GUS HALL

Denounces Denial by Mexican Gov't of Political Asylum

PEKING, Oct. 25 (Telepress).—The illegal arrest of Gus Hall, Communist leader by the reactionary government of Mexico, is denounced in the Oct. 16 Peking People's Daily. The full text of the comment follows:

"Early in the morning of Oct. 9, police authorities of the reactionary government of Mexico illegally arrested Gus Hall, national secretary of the Communist Party of the United States, in the capital of

Mexico and immediately extradited him to the U. S. police authorities who then imprisoned him in the U. S. federal penitentiary at Texarkana, Ark.

"Gus Hall went to Mexico seeking political asylum because of fascist persecution he had suffered at the hands of the American government. However, the U. S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, a Gestapo organ, had him arrested through Mexican police authorities. This demonstrates clearly the re-

actionary government of Mexico has become so degraded and shameful that it has turned itself completely into an American imperialist lackey and an agency of the American Gestapo."

"This contemptible action by the Mexican government is a shameful betrayal of its national sovereignty and independence, which is arousing deep indignation among the Mexican people and the bitter condemnation of honest people throughout the world."

Korea GI, in Letter to Paper in Buffalo, Urges Fight for Peace

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 25.—"I hope you are fighting for peace over there," a letter from 20-year-old Pfc. Placido M. Fiore, a prisoner of war in Korea, told his parents here. The young GI had been

reported missing in action last February.

Writing from a POW camp of the Chinese volunteer forces, Pfc. Fiore praised the treatment he and his buddies received.

The Buffalo Evening News, which featured the story, captioned his picture, "Letter Says Chinese Treat Him Well."

The letter said, in part:

"I hope you are fighting for peace over there and getting all our aunts and uncles and friends to fight for world peace. The Chinese people do not want war. They have proven that many times."

"They have given us good food, such as potatoes, eggs, chicken, pork, fish, flour, beans and greens. We have a blanket for every man, a place to sleep and toothbrush, toothpaste, soap and towel. We have a river where we go swimming and wash up every morning."

"We play basketball and put on our own shows. We have a band, singers and dancers and they win prizes that the Chinese give us, such as packs of cigarettes, notebooks and toothpaste."

NLRB Spurns New Law to Hit 62 Workers

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (FP).—Although Congress recently eliminated the need for union shop elections under the Taft-Hartley law, the NLRB has refused to reinstate 62 workers because they had engaged in an "illegal" strike to force adoption of a union shop.

The decision involved the American Communications Association and the Mackay Radio & Telegraph Co., both of New York. The companies had refused to reinstate 62 of the 2,000 employees who struck in 1948 for demands which included the union shop.

The board held the union had not at the same time complied with the non-Communist affidavit provision of the Taft-Hartley Act and therefore was not entitled to qualify for a union shop election. It therefore ruled the strike illegal.

Earlier in the week Congress completed action on an amendment to the T-H law eliminating necessity for union shop elections and validating 4,600 CIO union shop contracts which had been negotiated before CIO had signed the non-Communist affidavits.

Chairman Paul M. Herzog, James J. Reynolds, Jr., and Abe Murdock comprised the NLRB majority. John M. Houston dissented and Paul L. Styles did not participate.

Houston argued the strike was primarily for economic benefits and therefore legal.

"The result reached by the majority on this question," he said, "is without precedent. Heretofore when the board has found that condonation (of the union shop by the employer) in fact existed, it has consistently held that the strikers were entitled to protection of the act, irrespective of the nature of their allegedly unprotected activity."

Danish Widows Hit War Moves

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 25 (Telepress).—Thirty-two Danish women of the city of Aarhus, all widows of victims of Nazi terror during the last war, have appealed to the Danish government not to permit Danish youth to participate in wars on foreign soil. "We, who lost our nearest relatives as a result of the last war, feel that we have a special right to protest against the sending of young Danes to support the forces of war in Korea," their appeal states.

Rundstedt, 'Massacre' Chief, Is Glamorized in Rommel Film

By DAVID PLATT

Mass murderer Von Rundstedt of the German General Staff is pictured as a hero along with Rommel in the pro-Nazi film *Desert Fox* made by 20th Century Fox. Such a distortion of history surpasses the freeing of Ilse Koch, Nazi 'artiste' who created lampshades and curtains from human flesh.

Zanuck's studio made *The Iron Curtain* a few years ago, a brutal warmongering film slandering the officers and men who helped America by holding Stalingrad.

Should it surprise anyone that this same studio has made a film glorifying the pyromaniacs who tried to put the torch to our country?

An industry that does nothing to fight anti-Semitism and discrimination against Negroes but yelps only for war against the 'reds' is ripe for films honoring the gang that annihilated six million Jews. That America is thereby dishonored and betrayed is of minor importance to them.

"For my part, bygones are bygones," General Eisenhower declared to a group of generals, industrialists and nationalist politicians of West Germany on his visit to Frankfurt last January.

This was a far cry from Eisenhower's war-time declaration that "the world would not be safe until the German General Staff was exterminated, or exiled."

Now — to America's great shame—a movie studio echoes Eisenhower's 'bygones are bygones' by embracing German General Staff member Von Rundstedt—the same von Rundstedt who planned the Christmas breakthrough in the Ardennes in 1944 known as the Battle of the Bulge which took thousands of American lives.

This mass murderer bore chief responsibility for the brutal massacre of 115 helpless American war prisoners by Nazi troops during the Battle of the Bulge. The date which will live in infamy was Dec. 31, 1944. The murdered GIs were mostly from a battery of a field artillery observation battalion which was moving to convoy. At a road junction about three miles below Malmedy the men ran into German tanks which immediately opened fire. But here is the rest of the story in the documentary report of Allied Supreme headquarters:

"In the meantime all of the battery's personnel were captured and rounded up on a cleared field, being lined up six ranks deep. They were immediately searched for cigarettes and other valuables. Suddenly, and for no apparent reason, shots were fired into this group of defenseless prisoners by a German guard.

"Immediately following this outbreak, two of the German tanks began spraying the Americans with machine-gun fire from a distance of about 75 to 120 feet. Killed and wounded prisoners fell to the ground, including those who were not hit. But it is thought the majority of these latter men were killed later when machine-gunners continued spraying the men on the ground.

"As the tanks prepared to depart from the field, they drove past the fallen prisoners, their machine guns pouring additional bullets into those already killed and many who were wounded. As a parting gesture, German infantrymen on top of the tanks fired their small arms into the helpless mass.

"Finally, the German soldiers walked through, deliberately shooting those who showed signs of life. Approximately 20 or 25 soldiers, the majority wounded, decided to make a run for

it. Guards immediately opened fire as the men broke into a run and only about 15 eventually managed to gain their freedom."

Von Rundstedt was never brought to trial for this atrocity but was freed and is now cast as a hero, an anti-Hitlerite in the 20th Century Fox movie *Desert Fox*. This is belied by an old clipping from the N. Y. Times of July 3, 1945. The Times headline states: "German Generals quarrel in camp. Von Rundstedt and his clique refuse to associate with anti-Hitlerite officers." The story speaks of the enmity between Von Rundstedt and two officers who were involved in the Hitler bomb plot. "They pass one another sometimes under the trees in the yard but do not speak," said the Times. Reason: Von Rundstedt presided at the German Army 'court of honor' that tried the Hitler bomb-plotters. Hitler himself appointed him to that post.

Thus the movie lies when it suggests that von Rundstedt was anti-Hitler. The facts show

that he was pro-Hitler as late as 1945 when he was a war prisoner waiting trial.

Richard Findlater, columnist on the Bevanite London *Tribune* says this about *Desert Fox*: "It is an exciting, entertaining piece of propaganda for the German Army. James Mason gives a very good performance as the hero. But to state that Rommel was just a soldier not interested in politics is to ignore the dirty facts of German history before Alamein. To suggest that von Rundstedt and his fellow officers were just good chaps in a jam is viciously irrelevant. To make Rommel a fighter for freedom, however belated, is historically bunk. And to imply that the Afrika Korps was only beaten because of faulty supplies, and that the Allies only won the war because Rommel wasn't in command of the German Army—as this film, it seems to me, does suggest—is politically insane and irresponsible. That it's a good film makes 'Rommel—Desert Fox' more dangerous."

A WRITER'S IMPRESSIONS AT 'OLIVER TWIST' SHOWING

By H. HARTMAN

The writer saw the film *Oliver Twist* after it had received rave reviews from the New York critics, who mentioned only in passing that Alec Guinness' portrayal of Fagin 'might' have anti-Semitic 'overtone,' but who refused to let it sway them from their overwhelming approval of the Arthur Rank production.

We went to the film prepared to see that the cuts which had been made after protest in America and bloody demonstrations of Jews and Nazi-victims in France and Western Germany had actually removed the more blatant expressions of anti-Semitism. We were brutally disillusioned.

From the moment Fagin appears on the screen, one is gripped with a feeling of numbed disbelief, which turns first to horror and then to anger, that the vile posters which adorned the walls of the Warsaw Ghetto should come to life on the screen of a sedate movie house in New York City.

Fagin, the arch-villain of *Oliver Twist*, has every characteristic of Streicher's Jude: the huge beaked nose, the flat round hat, the black, unruly beard, the thick lips, the long coat, the hand gestures, the wily, thieving, money-hungry ways, the guttural 'Yiddish' accent, the leering at young boys—it is all there, and the acrid stench of Auschwitz fills the nostrils as he limps and slithers across the screen.

Not wanting to believe that this hateful portrayal was intentional, we tried to find excuses in the rest of the film, as the critics had done.

"There are other villains," we said. But, insistently, the film itself gave the answer. None of the others is depicted as is Fagin—not Mr. Bumble, ruler of the workhouse, who cruelly mistreats the orphans, but who is himself the affably bumbling victim of a shrewish wife; not Sowerberry, the undertaker who exploits Oliver, but who elevates him in his apprenticeship; not Nancy, the prostitute who drags Oliver back to Fagin's den of thieves, but who befriends him and dies trying to rescue him; not even the murderous Bill Sikes (whose fearfulness should in itself take the film off any 'recommended' list for children), who feels remorse at having killed his mistress.

Only Fagin remains unregenerate to the very end. And if others are more brutal, they are shown as only the pawns of the clever Fagin, who manipulates them all and who profits from

every abuse of the defenseless Oliver.

If any doubts remained, Fagin's last scene removed them. His beard trembling, he stands before the street door of his den—locked out by his accomplices and victims above, facing the battering ram of the outraged citizenry below. As the door shudders under the blows, Fagin shouts: "You have no right to butcher me!"

The crash of the door is his answer, and one can almost hear the voice of a Hitler drawing the obvious lesson for the audience: "Of course we have a right to butcher them; haven't we seen how loathsome they are!" (Reprinted from *Jewish Youth Builder*).

(There will be a symposium on *Oliver Twist* tonight (Friday) at Parkway Plaza, Eastern Parkway, cor. Utica Ave. Speakers include Dr. Annette Rubenstein, principal of the Robert Louis Stevenson School; Mrs. Alcott Tyler, PTA Council and civic leader in Bedford Stuyvesant area, and Mrs. June Gordon, executive director, Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs. The meeting is sponsored by the Nostrand and Crown Heights Clubs of the Emma Lazarus Federation.

Offer 3 Films and Discussion-Forum

With a program of shorts headed by the new British film, *The Undeclared*, the Saturday Night Film Club will inaugurate its new policy of discussion-forums this Saturday evening at the club's headquarters, 111 W. 88th St. The forum will take place directly after the first show. The film program will include *Song of Peace*, brilliant record of the Prague Youth festival, and the satirical Soviet comedy, *Lieutenant Hop*.

There will be three showings of the shorts program, and a social throughout the evening.

PS. The *Undeclared* is a documentary about the rehabilitation of British war veterans, considered superior to *The Men*.

Two Soviet Science Films at Stanley

Starting Saturday, the Stanley will revive *Life in Bloom* and *Miracle of Dr. Petrov*, two films about science. Based on the story of Michurin, Soviet scientist and horticulturist, *Life in Bloom* features a musical score by Shostakovich. *Miracle of Dr. Petrov* is a moving story of Soviet doctors at work, particularly in the field of infantile paralysis.

on the scoreboard—by lester rodney

In Nat Low's Memory . . .

MORE READERS ARE sending along their bit toward the paper's \$25,000 fund appeal in memory of Nat Low. The morning mail brought a five dollar check from Providence with the note: "A great column on Nat Low. Enclosed is \$5 in his memory, for he will live forever in the hearts of all those who fight for freedom. . . . Fraternally, a R. I. Friend."

A money order from New York brings \$3.50 from Helen Jones. A dollar bill from New York with the note: "Just read your column on Nat Low. What a wonderful paper we've got! And what real people."

Yesterday, JN of Long Island City, together with an excellent letter which we will reprint first chance, wrote: "Your column on Nat Low was a gem and my enclosed five bucks are given in his memory." Enclosed, however, was a TEN dollar bill. Then we found the PS: "Just read the fund appeal on the front page. Had to raise the ante, just can't help it even though it's a lot of dough for me."

Have you sent in yours yet? You can address it to me and have it credited here in Nat's memory if you like.

Picking the Fight

JOE LOUIS is up against a tough foe tonight at the Garden. Rocky Marciano of Brockton, Mass., has won all 37 professional fights, 32 of them by kayo, has never been floored and is 10 years younger than the man who was the greatest heavyweight to ever pull on the gloves.

I saw Marciano here on the night he clubbed a reeling Vingo to the hospital while Dr. Vincent Nardiello let the fight go down to the last near-fatal punch, delivered to the jaw of a defenseless 20-year-old who had a history of a fractured skull as a boy.

There is no question about Marciano's ruggedness and hitting power. He has some obvious deficiencies for a would-be-champ, notably a lack of reach and a general awkwardness. Some of his foes have been carefully selected to pad his record, a common practice for the "buildup." But the early estimations of Marciano as being "nothing" have been changing as he took on and surmounted tougher opposition. Roland La Starza was supposed to be a really up and coming contender and Marciano beat him. The solid young Rex Layne from Utah, victor over Jersey Joe Walcott a year ago, became another KO in the Marciano record.

Inevitably one thinks "What would the old Louis have done to this guy?" In fact, one writer put just that question to Joe at the Pompton Lakes camp this week and Louis retorted typically, "Never mind that. I just care about what THIS old Louis will do with Marciano."

It's the opinion here that "this old Louis" still is too much for the likes of Marciano. And since Rocky's style is to move in slugging, and Louis has been displaying enough of the old counter-punching combinations to evoke nostalgic memories of what once was, the opinion is furthermore that there will be a knockout in the second round.

This, of course, is an opinion that Marciano does not share, and he will be the party of the second part in the Garden ring and on thousands of television screens. As the "old Louis" of pre-war days himself once said in refusing to predict an easy victory over one of his foes, "Anyone who comes in the ring with two good arms to swing is liable to hit you, and anyone who hits you is liable to hurt you. . . ."

(By the way, in case you didn't notice, Louis took time out the other day to wire his support to Josephine Baker and the offer of funds, if needed, to press the fight against Walter Winchell's jimmie hangout, the Stork Club.)

. . . And Some Football Games

THE 'WORLD SERIES' is over by two weeks, unbeaten, mighty California, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Kentucky, Texas, etc., etc., etc., have already been whipped. It's time for us to get off the limb and pick some football "winners."

OK here we go. You name the game, I'll pick it. Isn't science wonderful?

Cornell my unfailing hunch against Princeton in the East's big game of unbeaten down at Old Nassau. The single-wing Tigers seem to be a slight favorite, but I don't think that raft of Big Red talent has really pulled the trigger yet.

Penn's raw power and talented sophomores—not to mention junior wows like end Bell—to hang another one on Navy, which without any cribbing deficiencies isn't winning any more games than Army that you could notice.

Columbia to give the straightbacks another lesson up at the Point.

Colgate to add some more woes to battered Yale's overflowing cup. This is an upset. Coach Hickman has a 10-year contract anyhow.

Indiana, fresh off its thumping 32-10 walloping of Ohio State, to-foiled you—succumb to very solid Illinois. Elsewhere in the Midwest, Wisconsin to strike another blow for rock-ribbed defense by stopping unbeaten Northwestern; Ohio State to save Coach Hayes' job for another week by beating Iowa; Michigan, sharpening up its old spinning trickery, too much for Wes Fesler's young Minnesota team; Notre Dame over subpar Purdue; Michigan State better than Pitt.

Also Lehigh over poor NYU; Syracuse to jolt Fordham, Dartmouth to nip Harvard—as if Harvard cares after beating Army; Boston U over Temple, Bucknell over Lafayette, Holy Cross over Brown, Kansas over Kansas State, Nebraska over Missouri, Wake Forest upsets North Carolina, Oklahoma still too much for Colorado, USC over TCU, California over Oregon State, Washington over Stanford, Texas over Rice, Maryland over LSU, Georgia Tech over Vandy, Kentucky over Florida, Texas A&M over Baylor, Mississippi over Alabama.

Got that all straight? Now don't go betting any of the money you intend to send in for the paper's fund drive!

And skipping one sport ahead, must mention the fact that the wondrous Harlem Globetrotters are at the Garden tomorrow night. Oh yes, the Knicks open their league season against Philadelphia on the same program.

Hampshire Paper Hounds Progressive Leader

CONCORD, N. H., Oct. 25.—On Nov. 1, New Hampshire's version of a thought-control law goes into effect. The Manchester Union, voice of the banks and power trusts, is demanding that Mrs. Elba Chase Nelson, New Hampshire anti-fascist, "disavow her Communist affiliation" before Nov. 1. "How long do we have to wait?" asks the Manchester Union.

The Manchester Union recently sent a reporter to visit some of Mrs. Nelson's neighbors. The Union's reporter was obviously unable to get the response that the editors wanted. The story admitted that several neighbors said that Mrs. Nelson was a good neighbor and the first to help out in case of sickness or other trouble. The paper did find one part-time resident who wanted to "hang Communists," etc. Thus while the majority of local people resent the Union's act, it is clear that the big shots are trying to stir violence against Mrs. Nelson and others. It is possible that they will import thugs from other sections, as Mussolini did in Italy.

The bill, House Bill 423, has been signed by Gov. Adams in the State Capitol, Concord, N.H. The bill prohibits political rights to Communists, and by its vagueness is definition makes any progressive step open to "subversive" charges. During the 'thirties the lumber and paper workers in Berlin, N.H., elected and reelected a labor administration. This bill undoubtedly is aimed at forestall-

ing further such breaks with the two-party system.

In Nashua, N.H., 1,200 textile workers are to lose their jobs permanently as Textron Textile Corp. leaves. Hillsboro, Newport, Claremont and Lebanon and other textile towns in New Hampshire have many unemployed. More cotton and woolen workers are unemployed today than in many years. The bill seeks to silence those who fight for jobs and peace.

The bill tries to continue the Foley Square myth that Communists are members of a "conspiracy." However, the people of New Hampshire have signed petitions putting Communists on the ballot.

Fred B. Chase ran for U.S. Senator on the Communist ticket in 1928. In the two-century old graveyard in Washington, N.H., is the grave of Fred B. Chase, descendant of New Hampshire's earliest settlers. Over the grave is a stone of granite donated by New Hampshire granite cutters. The inscription on the stone reads: "To a devoted and courageous Comrade who gave his life in the class struggle." These words will last as long as the granite they are inscribed on, and long after the bill is in the garbage cans of history.

2,000 Rubber Strikers Ignore Order to Return

POTTSTOWN, Pa., Oct. 25.—More than 2,000 striking plastic and rubber workers at the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. plant here today ignored union orders to return to work.

Robert E. Garber, president of Local 336 CIO United Rubber Workers, ordered the strikers back late yesterday, terming the walk-out "unauthorized," although he backed up the men in their grievance.

Union and company negotiators met for three and one-half hours yesterday without reaching any agreement in a dispute over outside contractors. Garber's order followed the negotiating session.

The plant's 108 maintenance workers walked off their jobs Monday, charging the company brought in the outside contractors to perform maintenance and machine installation work at cheaper rates. The entire personnel of the plant joined the walkout Tuesday night.

Spokesmen for the strikers said the outsiders were brought in at \$1.35 hourly to do the same work for which they receive \$1.95 hourly, plus bonuses for "objectionable work" under the union contract.

Massachusetts Group to Honor Wives of Two Smith Act Victims

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—A provisional committee for Massachusetts organization for aid to families of Smith Act victims is arranging a reception for the wives of two of these victims. The honored guests will be Mrs. Jack Stachell, whose husband is now serving his

sentence at the Danbury Federal Penitentiary, and Mrs. Simon W. Gerson, whose husband is one of the 17 now under indictment in New York. The reception will be held at the Community Church hall, 565 Boylston St. Friday evening, November 2, at eight o'clock.

Dock Strike

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"six months if necessary" announced the dispatch of flying squadrons southward along the coast.

In Brooklyn, a membership meeting of Local 808, of which Frank Nawrocki is business agent, took the same action by passing a motion categorically rejecting any scheme that require the workers to return to work before the contract is renegotiated.

ASK JOINT COMMITTEE

It was also agreed at the Brooklyn meeting that a delegation go to the predominantly Negro Local 968 of Brooklyn, and propose a joint strike committee on the Brooklyn docks. The latter local had for a long time been waging a struggle against the Ryan machine for definite jurisdiction over certain docks, and a guarantee of the right to work on an equal basis with others in the union.

Local 808 gave official sanction to the strike, as have other locals. Nawrocki who gained prominence in the strike for leading the squads that stopped the docks over which racketeer Anthony Anastasia is hiring boss, confessed to the men that in the first few days he was a bit doubtful on the outlook for the strike. But he added that he is all out for it now because he sees there is a good chance to make gains for the workers.

As a result of the stand of the two meetings, picketing was more widespread on all waterfronts yesterday, with heavy concentrations at the Brooklyn Army Base pier at 58th St., and at pier 90 on the Hudson River, where the liner Caronia came in.

The two meetings also blocked the plans of federal mediators, who had based their strategy on hoodwinking the men into some back-to-work proposition. The mediators were scheduled to make new tries, but instead of bothering with the internal situation in the International Longshoremen's Association they will have to get after the shipowners to agree to new negotiations. Clyde Mills, the government's "trouble shooter" admitted that the "family quarrel" is "well nigh impossible to solve." The workers are insisting on a

25-cent hourly raise; a day's pay guarantee if called to work; 10 cents an hour more into the welfare fund; liberalization of the requirements (now 800 hours work a year) for qualifying for the pension or vacation, and no splitting of work gangs as the shipowners are doing to increase speedup and reduce work opportunities.

Dockers News, daily bulletin of the rank and file longshoremen, came out with a special afternoon edition yesterday to warn longshoremen against back-to-work schemes. Referring to the mediators' strategy, Dockers News says: "They are doing nothing to put the heat on the shipowners to compel them to agree to our demands. Instead they put the heat on us and our leaders with all kinds of back-to-work formulas."

"Let's tell our leaders not to give in to any of these back-to-work schemes. We must reject the mistaken advice of any of our leaders who give in to the government-supported shipowner heat. Let's stand firm and say no to anyone who tells us to return to work, with no more than an agreement to 're-open the contract.'"

"Such a proposal, no matter who is foolish enough to make them, is only sucker bait. It plays right into the hands of the shipowners. If we fall for it, we would be compelled to bargain later from a weakened position and therefore get much less than we now can. The shipowners know that if we remain out solid now, our bargaining position is stronger. That's why they want us to go back before they talk with us."

The morning issue of Dockers News again pressed its proposal for a giant demonstration outside the offices of the shipowners' association.

"King" Joseph Ryan was closeted yesterday in a strategy session with his general executive boards and announced rejection of any proposals to renegotiate the terms. At pier 90, one of his henchmen, Harold Bowers, delegate of Local 824, with headquarters directly across the street led 50 police-protected strikebreakers through the picket line. Some 300 pickets were concentrated and some fist-fighting occurred.

Bowers men did not work the Caronia, however. He said he only sought to show he could break through the line. Indications pointed to deliberate provocation, possibly to provide the excuse for an injunction and greater police protection to strikebreakers.

Some 300 men, mobilized by boss Alex DeBrizzi, Ryan's Staten Island man, worked at the Stapleton Army Base. An attempt was also reported to work the Caven Point, N. J., Army base with about enough men to form two gangs. But not a single instance of work

BARE SLAVE CONDITIONS OF NEGRO LUMBER WORKERS

DENVER, Oct. 25 (FP).—Delegates.

The five, whose names were withheld to protect them from reprisals when they return home, told of jimcrow brutality and a peonage system which results in starvation wages, long hours and the denial of every civil and legal right.

The delegates cited instance where pay is as much as 25 cents below the 75 cents hourly minimum required by the federal wage-hour act. Overtime? Negro workers are forced to put in from 10 to 12 hours a day, six days a week—and even to mention overtime pay is to invite trouble and plenty of it.

Protection from the courts?

"A fellow won a settlement from his company in an injury suit for \$1,000," one of the delegates recounted. "This was in North Carolina and he is a cripple today from a beating he received because he wouldn't accept \$100 for full settlement and keep his mouth shut."

Thanks to unions, particularly the IWA, and to developing Negro-white unity, things are improving, they all agreed. But they added that when present IWA southern membership of 12,000 reaches the 200,000 mark, then things will really be coming along for the white as well as Negro workers in the south.

Ask Michigan Legislature Act on FEPC

DETROIT, Oct. 25.—A request that FEPC be placed on the agenda of the Special Session of the Legislature, called by Gov. Williams, was made in a letter to the Governor by Arthur McPhaul, executive secretary of the Civil Rights Congress of Michigan.

Philly Women's Leader Backs Progressive

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25.—Mrs. Mildred Scott Olmsted, women's leader, has endorsed Alice F. Liveright, Progressive candidate for City Council-at-Large, it was announced from Liveright headquarters. In a letter released today, Mrs. Olmsted declared:

"If I were a voter in Philadelphia I would certainly vote for Alice Liveright for Council. I have known her for many years as a courageous, intelligent and efficient person. Under the new charter, Philadelphia would benefit by having some of its councilmen independent of both party machines. Although I am not a member of Mrs. Liveright's party, and do not endorse some of the planks of her platform, I do endorse her."

on private docks was reported.

The major obstacle to the sailing of the liner America was removed by the strikers when they failed to picket her. The National Maritime Union's heads said they would hold up the ship only if they had to pass a picket line.

The Vulcania sailed without unloading a 1,260-ton cargo, including 500 tons of chestnuts and some Italian cheeses. Incoming mail held up amounted to more than 5,000 sacks. Estimated value of the goods tied up in the struck ships was up to \$275,000,000 yesterday.

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